

THE SPIRIT

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No. 1.

OUR VERY BEST

What a thrill, when a boy in uniform passes by.
A thrill, yes, an electric thrill, and why?

Because, every time that a line goes by
Isn't there some one from Old Ames High?

Because it brings back that memorable day
When our own in uniform went away.

When tears of loyalty, anguish and joy,
Coursed down the face of the soldier boy.

Was it easy, no—not for a one,
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When honor and freedom and all that is right,
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Harold Seymour
Lyle McCarthy
Warren Rinehart
Jay Elliot
Burnice Posegate
Winfred Crabbs
Paul McNeil

HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS

This is an important year in the life of athletics for our school.

Our being suspended from the state association, and nearly all the older boys being in the service of our country, is no reason for giving up any of our athletic activities, but rather more reason why we should put forth a greater effort to make this phase of our life a success.

Altho our suspension lasts only thru this football season, we cannot afford to waste our time waiting for interscholastic competition.

It will be profitable for us to spend some time learning the fundamentals of the game for next year, and to this end Mr. Thompson is arranging for a series of class games.

Some time will be spent in learning how to catch, punt, throw, carry and fall on the ball, as well as tackling, running signals and rules of the game.

We have enough boys in each class to make an interesting series of class games, and for the interest of the class to which we belong we should be loyal enough to get into a suit and practice three times each week.

There will also be a class series of tennis, this fall. Each class will play out an elimination tournament and the four winners will play for the fall championship.

Basketball practice will begin early this season so as to have the best possible team for interscholastic games after Jan. 1st. Interclass games will be played during November and December.

We can make the year a success by each boy doing his part.

A PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT

The course in English Grammar has been given up and a course in practical English substituted. In the latter course more stress is laid on oral work, such as public speaking, debating and the like.

The bi-weekly news issue of
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EDITORIAL

A. H. S. is proud that its very best boys have enlisted, but pride can not make up for the hole left by them. In order to keep up to our usual standard we must all stand closer together. This means that group interests must become general. For this reason The Spirit changed its former policy. The Spirit is a student paper and the new policy is intended to benefit the students directly. Our plan calls for news while it is news first of all; the promotion of all student interests and high school affairs by arousing pep before hand and live write-ups afterwards; next, the changing of the high school from a body of groups with various interests into a solid group interested in all activities; the training of the largest possible number in practical writing and the handling of responsibility; the enlarging of comradeships by bringing all students into the limelight; the promotion of all kinds of talent by providing space and arranging contests to coax bashful and hidden "lights"; and, lastly a general and special drive for pep.

The Spirit now consists of three distinct publications with largely separate staffs. It will be rushed through the correcting and printing in order to keep the news newsy and the jokes fresh. About every fourth issue will be a literary issue in the old form. It will contain selected student papers and prize winning poems, stories and articles in specially arranged contests, not to mention a large joke department. Last but not least will be the annual of which at present we can only say—that it will be better than ever.

The students should surely boost The Spirit as

already there are evidences that the business men are enthusiastically backing it. Now we want two-hundred and seventy-five good subscriptions, we absolutely need two hundred and fifty, and with two hundred we will go on dropping a few issues and raising some money. Last year two hundred and fifty subscriptions were pledged but only one hundred and seventy paid their pledge money. Your subscription will make you a live and helpful rooter of A. H. S. and will show us plainly that you want a live paper and a live school. The freshmen should at once line up with high school interests in order to get the most out of their stay. Maybe they need some coaxing. If you like our plan and want our backing in your special interests and desires you must back our paper both financially and vocally. If you all boost we may soon have a weekly Spirit, if you don't we will be sure to have a weakly spirit

LET'S PUSH AND PUSH HARD

As the school year begins anew, fellows, let's make Ames High still a greater High than ever before. Get behind and push for the H. Y Club and make it the greatest in the state. We can do it, we have the quality and material, let's put it across.

Three fellows representing Ames High have just returned from Camp Foster, a Y. M. C. A. training camp on the shore of East Okoboji. They have met with fellows from all four corners of the state, fellows who have won fame in athletics and come to Camp Foster to train so has to do their bit for a wide world organization.

I think the fellows who have returned are full of pep and are ready to do their bit to make the Ames Hi Y the greatest in the state.

Freshmen the Hi Y extends a glad hand to you and hope you will shake. It is the same to all you upperclassmen. The Hi Y wants every fellow out. Will We Do It? Yea Bo!

WELCOME

No other group takes quite so high a place as the Freshman and new students as they are the new blood, the unknown quantity. They hold the future of A. H. S. in their hands. May they have lots of new ideas and pep. Let's shake with all of them and say, "Helloh friend, what are you interested in?—why, so am I, come on and I'll introduce you to the gang."

OUR NEW TEACHERS

Ames High has been especially fortunate in securing teachers to fill the vacancies of last year. The policy has been to secure teachers having strong college records and considerable experience in teaching. Among the new members of the faculty are: Miss Olive Stewart of Jefferson, Iowa. Miss Stewart attended Grinnell two years and later I. S. C. where she took her master's degree. She has been teaching at Hartland, Wash. and takes Miss A. Sprague's place who has gone to North Des Moines High. Miss Laura Niles, a graduate of A. H. S. in 1911 and I. S. C. in 1915 and for the last two years at Rockwell City, comes highly recommended taking Mrs. Sadie Clark Schregardus position in Mathematics. Mrs. Schregardus now resides in Columbus, Ohio. Miss June Miller, a graduate of Parsons college and for two years a teacher at Arlington, High School, the last year as principal comes to Ames as a German teacher replacing Miss R. Johnson who is teaching in North Dakota. Miss Florence Williams, a graduate of Coe in 1912 coming from Anita, Iowa, will have charge of English and Ancient History. Miss Louise Coskery after a semester's absence will teach English in place of Miss Turner, who has accepted a similar position in East Des Moines.

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It is advertising that makes any magazine or paper successful financially. About half of the expenses of The Spirit are paid by our advertisers so it is up to each and all of us to see that the business men of Ames feel that advertising in The Spirit pays. We certainly owe our advertisers our good will and as only the best firms are solicited and only the ones that are really interested in High School boys and girls respond we may always be sure to good honest values and excellent service from the firms that advertise in our paper. If you make it your business to patronize our advertisers you will be contributing to the success of this paper while, at the same time you save money and gain in quality and service.

P. S.—Several firms that we could not accommodate, wanted space in this issue.

S-c-a-n-d-a-l

"Are you fond of indoor sports, Mable?"

"Yes, if they know when to go home."

A CHANCE OF A LIFETIME!!!

Opportunity is knocking at your door! Will you be the ones to win fame and fortune? The Spirit needs a sizzling motto for the coming school year. Anyone from Zentmire to systematic Hicks, from the proudest senior to the most scared prep is eligible to send in mottoes. The winner will be given a lot of publicity and a subscription to The Spirit! A good example is the Chicago Tribune's motto, "I Will." The rules are simple: (1) All mottoes short, (2) Each on a separate sheet, (3) The contestors name in the upper right hand corner pasted over with another paper so as to be invisible, (4) The editor, the assistant, and the news editor to be the judges, (5) Only one prize given but all submissions may be used for some other purpose. Surely YOU can think of a telling phrase. Remember opportunity only knocks once! By grabbing her you will win Miss Fame and Mr. Fortune.

A GOOD PROSPECT

A live year is promised for A. H. S. as Miss Mills has charge of The Spirit, Miss Stewart has charge of the Inter-High School Debate, and Miss Fickel the State Declamatory work. This looks like a group of hustlers and all that is needed to make Ames a winner is your support by getting out and being the putty for these masters to mold.

OUR LITERARY STAFF

For the big issue of The Spirit which comes out three times in the school year we have secured two star performers. Hazel Cave will practically have charge of the issue as her Literary department will hold the principal place. The feature of the issue will be a Contest department under the charge of Romana Reins. The jokes will probably hold the interest of the students and they will have all the space they need. This department is under the care of Beatrice Olson who runs the same department in the news issue. The news staff appears in the statement. An announcement of the Annual Staff will appear in the next issue. The stenographers will also be named in that issue.

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MISS BOYD WINS GOLD MEDAL

The Gregg Publishing Co. Awards Highest Honor Given to Iowa Teachers to a Loyal Supporter of Ames High.

Putting it in every High School language, Miss Ida Boyd of the Commercial Department was selected as the best shorthand coach in Iowa or her shorthand class won the state championship. A. H. S. is indeed to be congratulated on having and being able to hold Miss Boyd, and Ames High students are to be congratulated on the opportunity they are offered in studying under such a teacher.

The Gregg Publishing Company is a company established to further the teaching of Gregg Shorthand, a system which has won national honors many times for the efficiency of its writers. Each year the company offers a medal to the teacher who submits the best set of examination papers in each state. The examinations cover the first year work and are far from being "soft snaps". In order to qualify, over ninety per cent of the students must send in a complete set of papers. Only two students did not send in papers last year, one having a sprained finger, the other dropping out of school. The papers must receive ninety-five per cent in theory, and penmanship, that is, they must have ninety-five words out of every hundred written according to all the rules and also perfectly formed. And they must be written in a certain time limit, a limit that is set with the idea of making the pupil know without having to think. So Miss Boyd, just as any other coach, was judged by results, and was found to be the best. This contest is open to Commercial colleges as well as to High Schools.

Miss Boyd is starting in on her eleventh year as a teacher and supporter of Ames High. Six years ago when the Commercial Department was established, she also established herself there. Mr. Hicks says she was a very strong teacher before, and that she is constantly gaining ground. Many teachers over the state do not make the attempt Miss Boyd has in submitting a set of papers, but her middle name is Boost. Last year Miss Boyd was notified
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ATHLETICS

The football season has started off in fine shape with only two exceptions. These are: the Juniors have shown a tendency to be slackers, and the Preps, who have not got over their Preps' ideas yet, have not turned out the way they should.

Some very good material has been developed and there is a mighty good chance for a lively season, though we are not in the Inter-scholastic schedule. Harry Williams, a junior, suffered a badly sprained ankle in Wednesday night's practice.

The Sophomore and Senior teams have been organized and have had one night of running signals. The Sophomores have Scovel who is playing full back this year; Bennett, who is piloting the team; Moreland playing tackle and Thornburg of this year's regulars playing center.

The rookies are showing up in very good shape. Joe Marconis and Ralph Mayo are playing guards; Corneliussen, tackle; Oliver and Stewart held down the wing positions, while Elliot and Gray are halves. The line-up will probably be changed somewhat as other fellows turn out.

The Seniors have had their eleven men out every night. The line-up that was organized Thursday night was: L. Johnson, center; Winters and Sherman, guards; Sogard and Goode, who played on regulars last year, tackles; Beach and Belknap, ends; Noble and Watkins, halves and Innes, fullback. Tom Musson, John Saffley and Earl Johnson, who were not out for Thursday night's practice but who are coming out Monday, will make a change in the line-up.

The Tennis Tournament has now been scheduled. Those who have been eliminated in the Sophomores' division are: Bennett by Thornburg (7-5) and (6-3); Durell by Scovel (6-1), (6-2). In Senior division: Watkins by Aplan, (6-2), (6-0), and Noble by Beach, (6-1), (6-4). Juniors and Freshmen had not played off any of the games when the Spirit went into print.

The Dodds family were discussing cars when Pricilla suddenly exclaimed:

"Oh, I want a Sedan!" (See Don Kermit, "Go and see him if you wish.")

HEAR MAYSER AT HI Y.

Football Fellows Seep that All the Boys Are Out.

Coach Charles Mayser, honored by all college men because of his fighting teams, will speak at Hi Y tonight at 7:20. He will talk about clean athletics and the Y. M. C. A. Ames High should not miss this talk as he is the most successful football coach Iowa State has ever had. A record crowd greeted him last fall when he talked to the college Y, and no boy can afford to miss this short, direct talk.

Attention, Hustlers!

One of the best things in connection with The Spirit is to be a contest in the English department. We can all write something and perhaps just a few of our best sentences slung together and handed in may "get by." Thackeray with his "Vanity Fair" slipped something over on the thirteenth set of judges and maybe we can do the same.

The contest in the first issue will be for the whole school, not necessarily for those who are taking English. The freshmen with their recent study stand a very good showing. We know the freshmen can write excellent stories, for we were all "preps" once. The sophomores, juniors and seniors are all equally competent.

So get busy right now and see if you can't be the one to write the best story in Ames High and win that prize.

There are no rules governing the stories except that they be handed to Romana Reins before October 12. The prize will be a pennant which any one could be proud of, with the legend A. H. S. Best War Story. Besides this the winner will receive much honor and extra English credit. Let's all burn the midnight oil.

Junior Class Meeting.

The junior class held its second meeting in Study hall September 19. An election took place with the following results:

Monitors—Miss Thornburg and Miss Miller.

Assistant Business Manager—Robert Potter.

Class Reporter—Lydia Tilden.

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Why is it that those who have been in other schools say that ours is the dearest? Why is it that the business manager goes nearly crazy before he can sell 200 copies among our 360 students? Why has the junior class only two boys out of fifteen out for football? Why did the boys' chorus have to be dropped? Did enough girls and boys sign up for tennis to suit you? Why do so few boys turn out to Hi Y when the ones who come have the time of their life? Why does a lot of somebodies crabb everything somebody else does? Why isn't there more pep for the things like debating, declamation, live organizations along the lines of literary societies, dramatic, Y. W. and Y. M., athletics, which represent the High School all over the state? Why do all the teachers say, "I never saw a school with so little class pep? Are the preps going to have the livest class this year or are shops going to keep the boquets Mr. Steffey and Miss Turner have been throwing at them?

Are the juniors going to be represented at all in athletics, or the seniors going to sweep in all prizes and hold to their boast of being the livest of all classes?

Shall we make it more personal and ask if you are doing your bit? Are you pushing everything, one thing or nothing? Aren't you just as responsible for the pep of your class as your president, for victory in athletics as your captain, for the success of The Spirit as the business manager or the editor? Are you a booster? If not, why not? If so, where are you hiding? Why did we write this squib? Do you feel the spirit moving you to act? Are we going to make this the livest year old

A. H. S. has ever seen? Are you going to be the booster with lo tsot, or who is? Will you say "I'll do my bit!" Will you? Are you? Shall we?

Special War Edition Next Issue.

The next issue of The Spirit will be in the magazine form, which was used last year. The feature of the issue will be letters from our soldiers who represent our chief interest in the war. Some of the boys are too bashful to write about themselves, but we hope they will write about the other Ames boys who are with them. Just as many letters as can be found will be published and The Spirit would appreciate extracts from personal letters to help out. A complete list of the soldiers with their addresses will appear.

This edition is put out principally with the idea of giving all pupils a chance to get something printed. The English teachers will give special credit for all writing accepted. There will be a student opinion column that should be well filled. Put your dreams, ideas, funny stories and thoughts on paper and send them in. All submissions should be handed to Miss Mills, the editor, or stuffed in The Spirit box. Get busy.

Notice to Our Soldiers.

We would like to have you fellows write us and tell us of your camp life and good times. We have already received a few letters and want to print one in each issue. If you know of any Ames boys that are not receiving The Spirit please let us know and kindly keep us informed as to your change in addresses, so as to have no delay in sending each copy. Address letters to Thomas Musson, Corresponding Editor.

Freshman Class Meeting.

The "preps" held their first class meeting in Study hall Thursday, September 27, at 3:30. Mr. Steffey acted as chairman and gave a short talk about class organization and affairs. The following officers were elected:

President—Ralph Daulby.

Vice President—Marjorie Beam.

Sec.-Treas.—Gwen Edwards.

Reporter—Marie Rayness.

Monitors—Miss Barnes and Miss Curtiss.

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News Items.

Miss Coskery, Miss Sprague and Miss Fickle sent the week-end in Des Moines.

Frank Warren, re-entered school this week after a two weeks' absence. He was injured by a pony falling on him.

Miss Williams spent Saturday and Sunday at her home in Cedar Rapids.

"Saratoga" and her "A-Moo" Coffey were guests at The Spirit staff meeting last Friday.

Miss Stewart spent the week-end at her home in Jefferson.

A four-piece orchestra, Fern Grover, piano; Florence Godard, 'cello; Laura Woods, violin, and Raymond Burns, drum, gave us several selections at our last assembly, which were very much enjoyed.

Miss Freed of the city library gave us at our last assembly a very interesting talk on the use of the library.

If there are any girls in the Study hall seventh period who could spare the time twice a week your presence would be appreciated in the chorus.

Ada Meltzer received a very interesting and mysterious box from Honolulu, but for detailed information concerning the contents you must go to headquarters.

Bill Nelson of Ames High, who has enlisted in the cavalry, was in Ames Sunday.

Rozella and Theresa visited Camp Dodge Saturday.

Ted Jones is back in school.

Helen McDowell is back after traveling in the west.

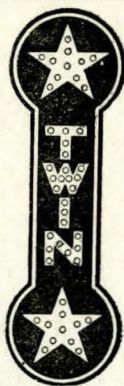
Rozella Carberry took a party of folks to Boone in her Hupmobile.

Miss Curtiss was a week-end visitor in Newton, Ia., returning Sunday evening.

The teachers of A. H. S. were doing their bit for their country Saturday evening, September 22, when they served at the dinner given in the Methodist church parlors for the 375 men of the U. S. A. draftee army, who passed through Ames.

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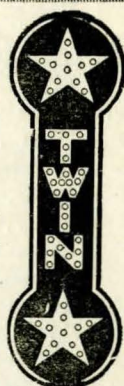


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MISS BOYD WINS GOLD MEDAL.

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that she would receive the medal, but it was finally awarded to Boone. However, it was no small honor to be among the three schools of the state who could qualify for the medal and her class was awarded a banner for this. She has also achieved fame as a teacher of typewriting, as two of her girls won gold medals last year for excelling in that line. The girls were Catherine Dodds and Vera Crosby.

This year fifty are classified in shorthand and typewriting as compared to the present advanced class of twenty-three. Mr. Hicks says that nowhere else is there such a spirit of concentration and intense application as in these courses, and Miss Boyd's pet remark is that a half a minute wasted by one, for the whole class means ten minutes. Let us hope that Ames can again have the honor of winning the state championship, and let's give three cheers for Miss Boyd.

Miss Mills: "We'll have a 'long' lesson tomorrow."
(And we did.)

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President Earl Johnson
 Vice President ... Nevin Innes
 Sec.-Treas. Harold Kooser
 Monitors..Misses Mills, Coffee

Sophomore Class Meeting.

A meeting of the sophomore class was held in the Auditorium Thursday, September 20, at 3:30. An election of officers took place with the following results:

President—Roy Benett.
 Vice President—Homer Tostlebe.
 Sec.-Treas.—Leslie Grey.
 Reporter—Marion Smith.

Junior Picnic.

The junior class met at the High school last Friday at 4 o'clock. About twelve cars conveyed the party to the picnic ground at swinging bridge, east of Ames, where a large fire was built, wienies roasted and marshmallows toasted. Miss Miller and Miss Thornburg chaperoned the party. No doubt you heard the boys were boasting Monday about how many girls they had taken home.

A rest room should be provided for the new students. One especially for Dietz Nelson.

Hi Y Doings.

The meeting of September 19th was an election meeting, the following officers being elected.

President Eugene Watkins
 Vice President Walton Goode

These offices were left vacant at the beginning of the school year because of Soper and Crabbs answering the call of their country. A mighty fine talk was given by Helsey on "The Prison Camps of Europe." A fund called the "Million Packet Fund" is being raised all over the United States for the benefit of the camps. A sum of \$180 was pledged by the local "Hi Y" for this fund. We want every fellow of the high school to do his bit.

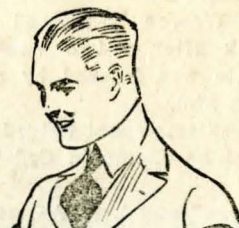
The meeting of September 28 was the best meeting so far this year. A good talk by Superintendent Hicks was enjoyed. Another proposition was put up to the boys and that was to pay postage for "The Spirit," which is being sent to the High School boys in the army. So you can see the Hi Y is an organization worthwhile.

Velocity is what a man puts a hot plate down with.

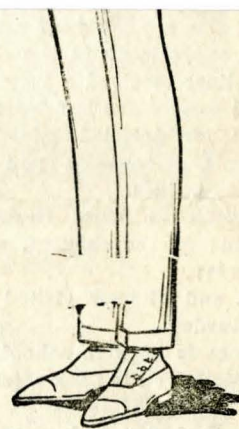
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Prof. Summer, C. R. Quade and the Tribune man had a regular musical at the Quade studio the first of the week, and it was such an international affair that it was more than interesting. This is no advertisement, by any means, but written after being imbued with the wonderful things that come from the disc of the more wonderful Edison Re-created instruments. Some person had sent a circular letter to the Tribune man that told of Anna Case singing "The Star Spangled Banner" for the Edison people. It was to hear this selection that the reporter went to the Quade studio. Miss Case is well known in Ames from having appeared here a number of times and in the "Star Spangled Banner" she has fairly outdone any effort of the past. There is that feeling that comes with the music that Anna had thrown her whole soul into the music, and it is now passed up to the people just at the patriotic time. Every person who owns an Edison should have the record and they should play it every hour in the day for it will do them a lot of good. On the reverse side of the record is "My Country 'Tis of Thee" as sung by Arthur Middleton, an Iowa boy who was raised in Indianola and who is now with the Metropolitan Opera company of New York. This is another disc that people should hear and have. During the recital, the national airs of America, Belgium, Russia, England and France were played, and this brings the thought what a wonderful thing the phonograph has gotten to be when we can sit down or stand up and hear the national music of our allies. Some day if your patriotism is a little on the wane go down to the Quade studio and we are sure Mr. Quade will be just as glad to furnish the music that will quicken your heartbeat as he was when we were there. And there is just this about it: With Anna Case singing "The Star Spangled Banner" there were three old duffers who stood, heads uncovered. They represented three nations in breeding but one nation in feeling, and their one thought was that of "The Land of the Free and the Home of the Brave."—Ames Tribune.

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AT THE FRONT

Have a Heart!

Why not write to the soldier boys? Perhaps several of us shall be in the army in a few years and wouldn't we like to hear from home and school. Many of our friends are now in training camps or on the way to France and a word from us would cheer them up and give them courage. A soldier encounters many temptations, often a word of praise or encouragement helps to conquer them. Let us drop a line to the lads and they will surely appreciate it and it will give the writer pleasure. The addresses of the boys are given below:

Rufus Hoon, Paul McNeil, Will Rickets, Winifred Crabbs, Jay Elliott, Douglas Waitley, Don Soper. Address: 1st M. C. Iowa Field Artillery, Deming, N. Mex.

George Dunlap, Bernice Posegate, Harold Seymour, John Taylor, Arthur Speers. Address: 109 Trench Mortar Co., Camp Cody, Deming, N. Mex.

Paul Hammond, Warren Reinhart, Harold Loughorn. Address: Co. I, 168 U. S. Infantry, Camp Mills, Hempstead, Long Island, N. Y.

Gifford Terry, Chas. Nowlin, Bob Sage. Address: 1st Co. Ft. Winfield Scott, San Francisco.

Corp. Elmer Jones, 31st Aero Squadron Sig. Corps, Forces to France, Chief Sig. Officer, Wash. D. C.

Louis Grey U. S. S. Essex, Great Lakes, Ill.

Lyle McCarty, 3d Company Oahu, Ft. Kamehameha, Honolulu, H. I.

Art Balingier, Coast Artillery, Honolulu, H. I.

Harvey Fitch, Harvard U. S. N. Radio Div., Cambridge, Mass.

Floyd Mabie, Co. A., Iowa Engineers, Camp Dodge.

Orville Apland, Fort Riley, Kansas.

Wm. Nelson, Cavalry, Fort Bliss, Tex.

Deming, New Mexico, Sept. 28, 1917.

Roy Stewart writing to his parents says: "Well we're finally here. Got here at about 12:00 this noon. They pulled us up within a quarter of a mile of our camp so we didn't have a very long job moving our junk. They first took us up to where we were to put our tents but later transferred us to the new Regimental Hospital. It has just been finished so we will have the job of washing all the windows, floor and policing the ground. It is a large building built in an H shape. Its larger than the Battery's large tent that they had at Des Moines. There are separate rooms for dentists, four lieutenants, our captain and the major, besides an operating room, dispensing rooms, a kitchen and a number of others. We fellows will have to take care of the building, and police the grounds and I guess cook for ourselves and patients. Now if that isn't enough to keep 24 busy, I'll eat my hat.

"I'll try to tell you something about the camp. We are about 4½ miles from Deming. The camp is west of town and stretched out in a string. There's nothing but sand and a little shrubbery that looks like an over grown pineapple and a little cactus but not as much of it as I expected. I went outside of the hospital and just kept wiggling my feet and soon was down to the top of my shoes. All the companies have a cook shack and a mess hall combined. These are either electric lighted or are wired. There aren't lights in the hospital yet but it is all wired.

This sure is a funny atmosphere. It is so light. Some of the fellows have trouble in breathing. We can see mountains on all sides of us just as clear as if they were only a couple of miles away but the closest are 20 miles. The highest one reaches way above the first range and is 50 miles, but we can see it plainly. Maybe that sounds fishy but it's a fact. Love,

"Stew."

Dear Folks:

When you receive this little line we will be in training "somewhere in England."

We had a fine trip over until today or rather tonight. It is a long story but will have to state it in a few words.

We were chased by "subs" once or twice and went quite a way out of the channel to miss some German Raiders.

Yesterday we were met by an Escort of a little American Destroyer. Everything was going fine until just after sunset this evening, when they spied a "sub." Their shots were fired from the deck guns, when the sub disappeared. Just as luck would have it the noise of the—censored.

It is sure a queer feeling to be in danger and yet be happy and singing. The bunch are out in the hatch now singing and it is just an hour since we thought our boat was sinking. We have been in the boat ever since Aug. 23 and I will sure be glad when we pull into Liverpool tomorrow.

We are on the S. S. Baltic, the one that was reported sunk, instead we were lying in Halifax harbor waiting, we left there Sept. 5.

This evening was the first taste of war we had and—censored. Had my first sight of power balloons and patrol ships.

Love,

Elmer.

Leslie Gray received the following letter:

"We left Great Lakes on Sept. 19, for south Manitou Island where we were to be engaged in battle with an imaginary enemy. It was merely to train recruits.

After we had been to sea for about ten hours it began to get rough, so rough that we ate our supper on the deck.

The thing that interested me most was the cook trying to fry eggs. He was chasing them from one end of the stove to the other. But he had plenty of patience, so we had part of our supper at least.

A few moments after every one had a chance to eat, they began to get rid of it. You could see at least 20 with their necks stretched over board, some wishing that they could walk back, some wishing they had joined the army but most could not express themselves.

Our executive officer suggested that we pour water down their necks. He said in a growling manner, "That will make 'em snap out of it."

After two days run, we arrived at the island ready for our war maneuver. Soon as we weighed anchor the boatswain's mate passed the word "scrub" and "wash clothes at the port gang way." That gave permission to any one to scrub who had even an unclean article in his sea bag.

I had a very unusually large washing that week, so started on my task. After I had completed my washing I immediately turned in, thinking tonight I would get a good night's rest but no such luck. About 12 o'clock (or 8 bells) I heard the Bugler sound, "Abandon ship drill," that meant all the boats had to be lowered in the quickest possible way. All you could see was sailors scrambling in all directions for their stations. Everything went off in ship shape style and soon every sailor was sound asleep, swinging to and fro in his dream sack hammock.

The next day and the two following were devoted to target practice. Some good record shots were fired. Several had perfect scores.

I should have told you something of the island. It has only a few inhabitants, although it is very fertile. It is one of the most beautiful islands along the large chain. North Manitou is equally as beautiful.

Had six more days to stay and hardly any provisions aboard so we steamed to Traverse City where we took on our supplies, then started back for the island. After we had gotten within seven miles of our destination, the Captain decided to have a race under sails. All six boats were lowered, made sail and started for the race.

After we had gone about a quarter of a mile from the ship the wind died down. We lay drifting about until dark. Finally we got a strong North Wester. It almost drove us on the beach. We had no light of any kind. The only guide we had was the light house. We had four miles to go after we passed the light house. We furled our sails and pulled the rest of the way. I didn't mind it so much while pulling but the next morning and the next day.

Next day was Friday, a day every sailor hates. It is a general clean up day. Scrub decks, paint, overhaul all lines. It usually lasts from five in the morning until in the afternoon. All decks are dried down and everything made up in ship shape manner.

Captains inspect on Saturday. Everyone is busily engaged in shifting uniforms, scrubbing teeth and shining shoes. At inspection, everyone shines like a newly-made dollar. The Captain was much pleased with the appearance of the ship in general. So he decided to have a landing party. (It was a treat.)

The 1st division was to be the first landing force. They were to be given a half hour's head start of the second. Soon as they were shore they were to conceal themselves any place on the island.

The 2d division was to pursue the others until captured or else shot. (None however were shot.)

Everyone was given a rifle belt, twenty round of ammunition and a full equipment. Soon as the second party arrived, scouts were sent from all directions, sharp shooters were stationed in the trees and almost in every bush. I was in the second party, and was detailed as a spy. There were four in the firing squad, including Chief Gunners mate. We were dressed in civilian clothing that were borrowed from a fisherman. None of the things fit us but we got away with it.

The spies traveled in two's. The first two carried a shovel pretending that he was replanting trees and the Chief and I had a basket filled with burlap sacks. We walked by the enemy's lines unnoticed. Thus got some valuable information. The second division was victorious.

After the war games we started for the Sailors, then went to Chi for coal. It took three or four hours to coal the ship. The coaling was done. So started for the station.

Last night was sure a miserable night, rough and raining. Loaded stores until midnight and still had more ashore.

Yesterday they discharged the other crew and now we have 200 more. Oh! for the life of a training ship.

We are to get underway soon for somewhere but don't know our destination. It must be another cruise because we now

have enough stores to last six weeks.

Well dear Bob must close for this time as I have a large day ahead of me. Expecting to hear from you soon, I remain as ever,

Your loving

Louis.

THE DEATH OF THE SECOND IOWA.

Of course you know that the Second Iowa Infantry has died (though it came to life in the form of a trench mortar company), and so we had to have a funeral for it. That was last Sunday afternoon, Sept. 30. We had the band out, and they played some funeral stuff while we marched around a few blocks with our hats off. After the burial service (and it sure was good), we took the band, went down town and had a snake dance that had traffic tied up for about an hour and a half. When we became 109 Trench Mortar Co., we had to move of course. We are about three miles from Camp now, and they are keeping us busy.

George Dunlap.

In a letter home to his folks, Jay Elliot, who now is with the Ames Medical unit in Camp Cody at Deming, New Mexico, describes the camp where the medical unit is established.

They are housed in wooden barracks, instead of in their tents, which is pleasing to the boys. Jay says that when they arrived at Deming the temperature was 118 degrees in the shade, if it was possible to find any shade. In the evening the mercury falls to about 35 degrees.

The camp is surrounded on the north, south and west by mountains, and from the reservation they look to be not more than two miles distant, but to be exact they are about fifty. The trip to Deming was a joyful one to be sure, although I guess they rode in the stock car most of the way.

In his letter Elliot says, "The sand blows like snow and my clothes look as if I had rolled in flour." There are about 8,000 Mexicans in Deming, dirty as bed bugs and slippery as eels. However, I guess there are a few white people who are human, but few. The country is full of horned toads, centipedes and snakes. 'Every morning,' Elliot says, 'I tip my shoes over to see how many will fall out.'

The water is good, about 99.99 per cent pure. The camp is in an old river bed between the mountains.

In his letter he says, "High cost of living exists here as well as in Ames, two handkerchiefs for 40c, eggs 60c per dozen, candy, not one of the best brands, sells at this place at \$1.25 per pound, however, cigars, shaves and haircuts have been kept at the old figure."

Elsie Elliot.

Mr. Steffey also received a card from Winifred Crabbs while on the way to Camp Cody. Tom Sloss in writing to his mother, says: "We are about ten miles from the Texas border. We have Pullman sleepers. This country is nothing but cotton and niggers." A letter was received from the Ames boys who were at Deming shortly after the beginning of school, but it has been crowded out each issue until it is out of date. We hope to get another, and with our larger Spirit we will be able to publish it. Any of you who are writing to the soldiers, please add your personal plea for a letter for the Spirit. Remember we are all interested in them and want to keep in close touch with them.

Dear Mr. Steffey:

Will write and thank you for the copies of the "Spirit" I've received, and surely enjoy reading the A. H. S. news. We are leaving for Deming, N. M. tomorrow, (Fri.) noon, so we will soon be with the other fellows and Co. I of Ames. All the fellows are O. K. and in excellent health. We've been playing football and boxing and expect to be in trim to start beating the world with our (almost A. H. S.) football team on the Border. Give my best regards to all the fellows in A. H. S. please, and thanking you again for the "Spirit," I am

Yours Respectfully,
"Ruf" Hoon.

From a college English class: "Ben Johnson was born in London when his father and mother were living in Dublin."

"There stood a white mule, calm and decomposed."

Miss Coffey in Chem: "One drop of cyanide of Potassium placed on the tongue of a rabbit would kill the strongest man,"

IT'S A LONG WAY FROM OLD AMERICA

To the tune of
(Its a long way to Tipperary.)

Over to America
Came word from France one day,
Asking if we'd give support
To subdue Germany.
Uncle Sam spoke right up,
"Why, yes, of course we will,
By sub and ship and areoplane
We'll give Old Bill' his fill."

Chorus:

It's a long way from old America,
It's a long way from home,
It's a long way from old America,
But we're going to hold our own.
Then it's goodbye to the old Kaiser,
Farewell ever more;
For we're going to get that old Wilhelm,
When we reach that shore.

When old Uncle Sammie asked
Our boys to volunteer,
All our bravest heard the call
And came from far and near.
They were anxious to be off
And fight for the U. S. A.,
And as they left their dear old homes
Fe heard our "Sammies" say:

Chorus:

—Martha Lesan '19.

Miss Thornburg in Biology: "What kinds of trees grow in the south?"

Chivalier Adams: "Quarter sawed oak."

Rozella's Soldier Friend in Camp Dodge: "See that nigger? He's so black that a charcoal mark would make a white streak on his face."

Miss Gates in Geometry: "Norman what does angle B. O. H. and B. O. S. equal?"

Norman C.: "They equal BOSH."

Miss Fickel: "You were absent yesterday, where were you?"

Soph: "At the cemetery."

Miss F.: "Any one dead?"

Soph: "Sure, all of them."

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EDITORIAL.

"Where can I find any material on the war?" "No, I never read anything about the war, its too horrible!" "Who is Haig, is he some relation to Kerensky?" Whenever the subject of war is mentioned, those around usually look bored or answer in some such careless way as above; and yet, our country is in the greatest, most horrible, most interesting war of the world and immortal men are springing up before our eyes.

The books dealing with this war now number in the hundreds, pamphlets in the thousands, and articles, stories, poems and descriptive letters, into the millions according to an authority. All magazines and papers carry some material on the war, yet some high school students seemingly are not even concerned. In France and Belgium children in the primer schools know the Star Spangled Banner, in A. H. S. very few students could even recognize the Marseillaise, or know that America has the same tune as God Save the King. For the last three years students in history classes attempted, at least, to divert the recitation into a discussion of the war, now it is never mentioned. In the Halls you never hear war mentioned except jokingly as, "What do you know about that 'aig'?" Surely we are not tempting providence to give us a bigger jolt, by not waking up now to the fact that we are in the war.

Maybe the war is horrible, maybe it

makes you mad to read of children having their arms and legs cut off to amuse the German officers by their helpless squirmings, maybe it makes you sick to read of the men and vermine all mixed in German prison camps. Is that any reason why you should idly twirl your thumbs and look bored when war is mentioned? Don't always take the easy course. Get mad, cry, do anything that will wake you up and make you eager to do your bit. Every one is telling us that our place is in school. Most of us accept this too easily, and go on leading a life of loafing and just "getting by." We waste money and time in picture shows, and both sugar and money by eating candy while the money and food would often give a Belgian child a bit of dry, hard, tasteless bread, and would swing the scale from slow starvation to almost normal nourishment.

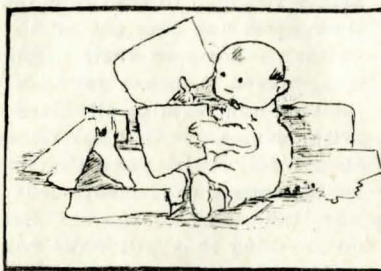
High School Boys and Girls, aren't you ashamed? Aren't you ashamed to blacken our school's almost perfect record of patriotism. Think of what our boys who enlisted are sacrificing. Our boys are giving all their time, energy, future, to their country and many of them will give their lives. We are, some of us, giving bits of time otherwise wasted, a few pennies, or being contented by sharing our parent's contributions. The names of our boys should be mentioned in reverence. We even loaf instead of studying or working when we should be preparing to take the place of some better men and women who will give their lives. We play instead of going into debating or oratory which would fit us to lead in public life, or football which develops character, body and morals at the same time. The Y. M. C. A. is, we believe, the only High School organization which has taken any interest and there are only eighteen fellows contributing. Nobody has done so much that he cannot do more. We, who are going to be the citizens, the army, the hope of tomorrow are showing a decided lack of patriotism.

Are we going to go on in this way?

Dorothy McCarroll, who was hurrying to her **English room** ran into the arms of Mr. Steffey.

"Pardon me, Dorothy," he said very politely.

Dot: "Oh, sure, that's alright!"



LITERARY

FIRST PRIZE IN WAS STORY CONTEST

"TELL THE SAMMIES

I LOVE OLD GLORY, TOO!"

"The fellows want a story, so tell us one, Joe."

Joe, who was thinking of home, sighed and laid down the letter he was reading 'over again.'

"What shall I tell you, boys?" he asked. "Do you want a new one?"

"No, give us, 'Tell the Sammies', you will, won't you, Joe?" exclaimed a fair haired youth, as he came down the trench to where the group were talking.

Joe lived with each character as he told a tale, and, as a result the characters lived before the eyes of his audience, causing them to forget for the time, their own cares. The boys liked to hear him at any time, but, above all, they wished to be present when he could be persuaded to tell them the story known to them as 'Tell the Sammies.'

All who were at liberty gathered about the narrator imploringly though each of them knew the story almost word for word.

"I'll tell you, boys, I've sort of fallen out of the 'Pink' tonight but I suppose I may as well cheer up and tell you your story so—

'It was in the early summer just after we boys had been shipped across the pond.

None of us knew what war really was but we were learning as we plodded wearily through France on our way to the Trenches.

I don't know just how it happened but for some reason we had to camp about eight days on the spot where a little French village had recently stood. There wasn't much left of it then, nothing but the charred skeletons of the cottages and

dwellings and one or two half destroyed houses.

In one of those ruins a French peasant woman and her daughter were living. Some how when the Fritzies looted the village, these two had escaped harm. The daughter was a pretty little ten year old, she had some sort of a French tongue-twister for a name, but the boys all called her 'Sunny' for she was so bright and gay, just like a ray of sunshine.

She used to come to camp every day and the boys petted her and made a lot over her.

She couldn't talk much English but she understood all we said to her and was quick to pick up phrases, so the fellows taught her a good deal.

She was crazy about Old Glory and could salute like a little soldier. Whenever she appeared she begged us to tell her about Old Glory and the States.

All the fellows thought a heap of her but she seemed to like me best, don't know why, I'm sure, and she'd follow me around like my shadow till she saw I wasn't busy. Then she'd come fluttering up to me, with those big eyes of hers a shining an' she'd say,

'Jack'—she never would call me Joe—'Jack, tell 'bout the Sammies, to Sunny, 'bout Old Glory, too!'

We felt mighty bad to leave the little thing, we'd all grown to think so much of her but moving orders came and we broke camp.

The last thing we saw as we marched away that morning was little Sunny standing by the path, waving a little American flag one of our boys had given her, and her black eyes a shining as she called out—

'Tell the Sammies I love Old Glory—too!' but I didn't know then how soon I'd hear her say those words again.

We hadn't marched a mile, and we had only four to go, when some infernal Fritzle sent us a bomb from the air.

We weren't looking for anything like that and it blew a dozen or more of our boys to atoms.

I was in the rear line, and a blooming piece of shell shattered a bone in my ankle, knocking the sense clear out of me.

The next thing I knew, I was lying in the field, and the boys were not to be seen. Guess they thought I'd gone along up high.

I couldn't go four miles, but there was a chance of my going one, so I started back where we'd camped. There would at least be shelter there.

First crawling, then resting, then crawling, I traveled back. It seemed thousands of miles, but finally I reached the village, and later the house of Sunny and her mother.

They took care of me for almost a month and I was beginning to think about getting back to the boys.

One evening while the peasant woman was preparing our meagre meal and I was awkwardly trying to help where I could, Sunny came running in, and chattered such a muddle of French and broken English that I didn't get a word, but the mother understood.

Taking my arm she commanded, 'Come' in such a tone that I went, at once, though I didn't know why.

She led me through the room where she and her daughter slept, into a small adjoining room where clothes were hung. Here she opened a door into what seemed solid wall, and told me to enter.

I hesitated. 'Hurry—the Germans!' she said, and before I could remonstrate I was alone.

I could hear nothing, it seemed as though I had stayed in that narrow place for years. I tried to get out and could not. I became alarmed and, determined to escape. But no matter how much I shoved and tugged, and pulled, the door remained closed.

The thought came to me, perhaps I am turned around and after all am not pounding on the door; so I moved about and tried in a new place.

Much to my surprise I was rewarded at once by the opening of the door.

I stepped out and, blinded by the light, stumbled toward the kitchen. The Fritzle had come—and gone!

Across the table lay the body of the peasant woman as she had fallen when shot. Where was the child? A feeling of rage came over me.

'Sunny! Sunny!' I called, but there was no reply.

I strode to the door, and there on the grass, was Sunny.

As I bent over her she opened her big eyes and smiled. Her lips moved and I bent close to hear.

'I didn't tell, so—they shot her—and me. Jack, tell—tell the Sammies I—loved Old Glory—too!' she said, and that was all.

A bugle shrieked out the call, 'To Arms,' and, as each soldier grimly took his place, a fair haired youth called out, 'Joe! Joe!'

'What?'

'If I don't come back—Tell the Sammies—I loved Old Glory—too!'

Muriel Mackie.

HONORABLE MENTION

'REDDY'S ERRAND.

From behind a heavy door protruded a thick mass of red hair, then came a wrinkled forehead, two widely opened blue eyes, a very freckled nose, and a mouth that made you think it's owner was much in doubt. The rest of what was commonly called "Reddy" (which wasn't much) and, a long, seemingly heavy article, squeezed themselves into view and started rather warily down the walk.

Reddy was on a very important errand. In truth, he was starting out to kill the Kaiser. To look at him, one would not suppose him to be old enough to know what a "Kaiser" is, but he knew, and was starting out with a very strong determination not to return until he had completed his task. His doubt was over the fact that he would be caught with the package he carried—the only weapon that could be found in the house—his grandfather's sword. It was of very ancient design, but all Hamilton Street prized it, and he carried it with pride and carefulness.

As I said before, he was starting out to kill the Kaiser. He had seen many pictures of that animal, so he tho't to himself, "I'll just walk along the street in that Germany place when I get there, and when I meet him, I'll jist ram this right through him, and kill him, you bet!"

Reddy lived in New York, and what is more, right near a place where the ships come in, so he did not have far to walk before he arrive dat his destination. But the main thing was, how was he to get on board without being seen? There was his opportunity standing right at the foot of the gangplank—the same number of feet in thickness as in heighth! Very carefully he crept up close to the big man, and whenever an officer came into sight he could tell them by their uniforms—he stepped to the side where the officer was n't. By doing this he capered all the way down the passage until he got to the end. Then—horrors! There were two officers, one on each side. He made a brave attempt to squeeze through, but was caught! However, he was used to such happenings and explained that he could see his mother just ahead a little way, so honest facedly, that the officers let him go without a doubt in their minds but what he was telling the ruth.

Reddy was soon on a big, wide deck and such things to see! Then the people, too, were interesting. There were troops who were headed for France, but oh! what a queer looking person standing over there! Reddy walked closer and observed the man more carefully. Why! Oh! How surprising. The boat hadn't sailed yet, either, and he could go right home again after accomplishing his errand. But it might sail anytime. So he pulled the sword out quickly and rushed straight for Mr. Kaiser. The poor man might have suffered a terrible fate if a soldier had not caught Reddy just in time to prevent his victim from being enirely cut in two. As it was, the ancient weapon went in only about haf a nnch. But that half inch revealed to the officers some very important news. Reddy was not electrocuted nor rewarded, but was enlightened as to the situation and sent home. He had not killed the kaiser, or even seen him, but was satisfied to go home anyway, for he had probably saved a good many American lives by revealing

a German spy.

Boost for the next contest.

Marjorie Beam '21

WHEN BILLY LEFT US.

When the day's 'bout over
And the sun goes slippin' down
And the crickets sort o'holler
And the leaves get sort o'brown.

And the fire begins to cackle
And the lamp makes shimmery light,
Then's the time to hear the story
'Bout the war and awful fight.

Then's the time when Billy left us,
When the grass was brown and sear,
And the wind was just a whistlin'
Most so loud you couldn't hear.

Mother got all white and shaky,
And she seemed about to swoon,
When far up in that hill top
Came the bugles' awful tune.

When Billy stooped and kissed me
He didn't cry at all,
Just whispered somethin'
'Bout that bugles' call.

Dad's voice faltered slightly,
And he trembled just a mite,
When he held Bill's hand and said
He knew he'd stand for right.

Nancy didn't blush at all
When Billy kissed her cheek.
She just leaned against him,
All pale and sick and weak.

O! that's the time when Billy left us;
When the grass was brown and sear,
And the wind was just a whistlin'
'Most so loud you couldn't hear.

Days and weeks and months went by,
But Bill's letters never came;
We kept a listenin' and a dreadin'
And a lookin' fer his name.

But the lists of killed and wounded
That made others shake and cry
Didn't seem to mention Billy;
They somehow passed him by.

But the watchin' and the waitin'

And the awful dread and fear
Don't make any difference,
For Billy's comin' near.

Then's the time when Billy's comin',
When the grass is brown and sear,
And the wind is just a whistlin'
'Most so loud you cannot hear.

Ina Reins.

The Autobiography of a Freshman.

The first recollection I have is of an experience upon the farm. Being very fond of the little fluffy balls called 'chicks', I grabbed one and loved it—loved it in the way I thought it should be loved. The result was a dead chicken.

A few years later, I had the pleasure of falling down stairs and breaking my nose. That was a glorious experience filled with sobs and cries of, "Mama, it hurts!"

I am very thankful to the kind mother and father who have so patiently tried to make a success of me. I hope I shall be something worth while for their sakes.

In my short life I have been punished for various offenses, such as running away, being saucy to my elders and other impertinent acts. These corrections were very painful to parts of my anatomy, but the pain was gone in few short hours and I was happy again.

When I started to school, I had one idea in mind—to be a great scholar. I was filled my books and papers with marks totally unknown to any race of people in the world. Up to the age of seven, I kept this one idea in mind, but it soon lost its attraction and I drifted along, getting my lessons just as other boys and girls did.

I was always getting into trouble. It seems as if I were born under an unlucky star for I am the most unfortunate person I know of. I was eating the frosting off a chocolate cake; I got caught at that. I was making faces at a girl across the aisle and for this offense, I was made to sit up in the front seat till recess. Oh! I can't name all the scrapes I've been into and suffered for.

My playmates were boys, ever since I can remember living here. I was one of the "gang." I dared and took dares, just as the boys did. I stole grapes, cherries, green apples, and plums, all because the

boys did.

The boys played war and I played war too. I couldn't be a soldier because I was a girl, so I was the nurse. But I never had ny patients for the enemy didn't seem to shoot straight enough to hit our boys.

These games of war and nursing aroused my fancy to be a nurse. So accordingly, my poor, dear Tommy-cat was the victim of my practices. He was bandaged and powdered and fed. Each day he was the "wounded man", and I was sent to care for him until one day Tommy wouldn't stand this treatment any longer. He tore the bandages, tipped over the bottle of vinegar I was trying to feed him, and ran out of doors. Nothing daunted, I still practiced nursing altho' my efforts were confined to the making of surgical dressings instead of to taking care of "wounded men."

I still have a faint ambition to be a nurse, but I haven't had time to think about the position in life I'll fill. But there is time yet to decide.

Another woe added to my long list of trouble which is making my hair turn gray, was the serious mishap of having a boy throw some gum into my hair. I was "mad" and if I can't fight when I lose my temper, I cry. So I cried and made great puddles of salt water on the floor. The result of the gum throwing was that the Biology teacher, armed with her scissors, snipped and snipped till she removed not only the gum, but several locks of hair as well.

NEVA SPENCE.

Drift, drift, drift
Thru the sunshine sift
Dainty dreams of autumn,
Drift, drift drift.

Nod, nod, nod
O'er the grass and sod
Golden rod of autumn,
Nod, nod, nod.

Float, float, float
Like a fairy boat
Gaudy leaves of autumn,
Float, float, float.

ARE YOU A NEUTRAL?

I enlisted in the American Ambulance

Service simply because of a taunt and because my best friend was enlisting too. I went to France almost as a neutral because I could not and would not believe my ears. In Paris I had not changed, though I saw widows everywhere, convalescent soldiers, many with their boyish faces suddenly aged and horror plainly written in their eyes, for I said, "All is the same on the other side." But, when I was gradually advanced to the front as I became more and more efficient in driving through mud, I changed in character as well as in appearance. The mud is simply awful, I mean it is awe inspiring. It sucks at your feet, it is slimy, sticky, rancid, sickening mud.

When I was finally put on active duty, I was expected to drive a common Ford car, the only kind used at the front, fitted with three or sometimes four stretchers on which terribly wounded men lay, through inky blackness, over shell holes ranging up to thirty feet across, on trails known as roads, all the time hearing the fiendish screaming of the shells and being on the alert for the peculiar whine that means danger, and surrounded, covered, swamped by mud and incessant rain.

Within three days I lost all my neutrality and became a pacifist for life. Not a simpish, unpatriotic, mouthy pacifist, but an active pacifist who believes that side-stepping and talk is not a road to lasting peace. The first day I was allowed to wander in one of those many French and Belgium towns where the fatalistic population clings to the old home in spite of shells and invasion by the Huns. There I saw the starving little children, homeless, hopeless, and horribly mangled. I noticed one with the features of an old, rheumatic man. I held out a piece of hardtack and she came with a cunning light in her eyes. She held out her arms, they ended at the wrist. In answer to my questions she answered only, "Les Boche." (The Block-heads.)

The second day I went to an old German redoubt and poked around for souvenirs. I found two which will never wash out of my memory. One, a gas tank labeled with the factory number and the date 1912. The other, a portable liquid fire tank with the date March 1914. Yes, the war was forced on Germany.

The third day, yesterday, I was sent on a hurry up call to a dressing station. There on the dressing table was a boy of fifteen with a smile on his face, attended only by one dead-tired nurse. (In this war "dead-tired" means **dead** tired.) I said, "Why, you are only scratched."

He answered, "Yes, I will soon be with mother."

The nurse put her finger to her lips and in answer to my surprised glance she beckoned me to the back of the cot. His back represented the most convincing lesson against modern warfare I have yet seen. It was really all gone on the left side. The sight was sickening. I turned to the nurse and mutely asked, "How?"

She answered bitterly, "Dum-dumbs. God and the nations of the world decided against their use, but the Kaiser sets aside His decisions as easily as he breaks a treaty."

I answered, "But his courage, his talk of mother?"

She answered proudly, "Frenchmen always die so. He knows. His mother was killed in the first days of the invasion for not smiling at a Prussian officer. There is no need for you here."

I am no longer neutral. The Frenchman does not hate, he looks on the Hun with disgust, as he would on a reptile. The English does not hate, the Huns are not sportsmen, they break the rules of the game, they are beneath notice. But I who have suffered nothing, do hate, loathe or despise, the people who say, "Me und Gott."

(This is a true story in the sense that there is no exaggeration, as all these incidents have been told before, in one form or another by responsible eye-witnesses.)

B. N.

SENIOR "LIT." PROGRAM.

The First senior program of this year was held in the Auditorium. It was a fine beginning, the subject of all the papers and music, "War." Good spirit was shown in the closing number, which was "Popular War Songs," led by Mr. Pollard and sung by the class.

"Johnny, what is 'capital punishment?'"

"Bein' shut up in a cupboard full o' jam an' cookies an' things."

ATHLETICS

FOOT BALL SEASON OPENS TODAY.

The first foot ball game of the season will be played this afternoon at Maxwell Park. Everybody out!

The inter-class series will consist of six games. Each team will play all other teams once. Two games will be placed each week, so there should be some excitement for the next three weeks.

All Class Rooters should be out, and you make it your business to see that everyone in your class is a rooter.

Thompson predicts some hard games especially between the Sophs and Seniors. Rooting is going to be a big factor as most of the players are inexperienced and may get "rattled."

We are all sorry Ames is not represented in State athletics, but let's not act so that anyone can call us "crabbers," or "quitters." Let's be glad that so many boys of such varying sizes are getting foot ball training. Remember, always, that we are much prouder of our big boys who will soon be playing in the big game across the pond than we would be if they had stayed at home and won the State Championship.

Now let's have a big turn-out to the games. The Admission is free! You come! Bring your class-mates! Everybody Out!

(If you don't know who is playing, ask any wide-awake boy. The Spirit went to press too soon to get the results of the "flip."

Athletic News.

After looking over the last three nights of practice, we must recognize the fact that the Juniors have still some pep. The Juniors have had their eleven men out the last three nights and are now rounding in shape for a good team.

The preps have remained the same. O'Brien, Griffith, Thompson and Noble have been turning out regularly but the others have been coming out a few nights and then staying away the rest of the time. Preps, if you want to make an eleven that will represent your class, be like the Juniors and get a lot of pep.

The Sophomores and Seniors have been given their signals for simple, fake plays, and different formations, and have got them under way so that they will be ready when the first game is scheduled.

The tennis tournament has been moving right along except for the Freshmen. Only one match has been played off and no chance for others unless they are played by Wednesday night. Among the Juniors, C. Adams was eliminated by R. Potter (6-3) (6-0).

In the Seniors, Innes eliminated Good (6-2) (6-4). So those that are left on second round are Aplan, Innes, and Beach. For the Sophs, Tostlebe eliminated Huckle (6-1) (6-0); Tesdal eliminated Stewart (6-2) (6-2). Those who are left to play in the second round are Scovel, Thornburg, Tostlebe and Tesdal.

The boys gymnasium classes are in full swing and the boys are learning to march, keep time, and to be more like soldiers every day.

GIRLS ATHLETICS

The girls were all glad when they heard regular gym work was to commence Tuesday, Oct. 9. There are a number of girls in A. H. S. who have already won honors and letters. The highest honor that has been given is a 'Double A' to Edith Wallis. The "A" girls in school now are: Marjorie Nichols, Fern Grover, Jennie McCucky, Dorothy Beam, Edith Wallis, Dorothy Gruell, and Hazel Cave.

Miss Boyd was a week end visitor at Des Moines.

Fern Grover gave a party at her home, Oct. 11.

Evelyn Tripp went for a fifty mile motor ride Sunday, Oct. 7.

A bunch of High School girls on Oakland Street, Fourth Ward, had a jolly good time Saturday evening, Oct. 6.

A lively social committee has been selected from the senior list: Marie Judge, Leona Nunamaker, Marjorie Nickols, Lester Savvain and John Safly. They will have charge of parties, picnics and other

social affairs for the class. In spite of the fact that we seniors must work hard this year we are planning some jolly times.

The senior class will have charge of the assembly October 24. This committee—Edith Wallis, Millie Lerdall, Marguerite Kirkham, Forest Clark, and Walton Goode—have promised that an interesting program will be given.

S-sh-h-h. Just a hint. Camera fiends, sneak up on these "sob" scenes and get us some good snap shots for the annual. All pictures and drawings for the Annual should be handed to Gilberta Luke at once!

Stories and poems for the next Literary edition should be handed in as soon as possible. Extra English credit will be given, in most cases, three points on the six week's grade.

Great Mystery—Why did "Ted" Jones only have twenty cents left after spending the evening with Marian Smith in the city of Ames? (Of course we don't know how much he had at first.) Also, what is the great attraction that takes him to Nevada every Sunday evening?

Miss Coffey, Miss Thornburg, Miss Cas-kery, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson and Roberta enjoyed a "watermelon supper" at the home of Miss Coffey's sister in Roland, Tuesday, Oct. 9.

Miss Coffey will give a speech at the State Teachers' Meeting, which will be held in Des Moines, November 1, 2 and 3.

RAH! RAH! JUNIORS!

Altho the Junior boys lacked adequate enthusiasm at the first of the foot ball season they have made a fine showing the last three or four evenings. They were accused of not having pep at the first, but they have the largest per cent of players out on the foot ball field for the number of boys that are in the Junior class. They are assured of a strong team with the following line up:

"Bob" Potter piloting the team; McDowell at full; Ross and "Tug" Hess at right half; "Chev" Adams and Oakley Ray at left half completes the back field. John Myers at the pivot position; Cupps and Crook guards; Dalby and Jarvis tackles; Byrnes and Howe at the wing position, completes the line up with the exception of Harry Williams who may make a change

in the formation as soon as his ankle recovers. (Entered by request.)

KLEPTO—?

Are there Kleptomaniacs in our midst? (Use Websters' Dictionary.) Something is surely wrong. Books, papers, fountain pens have been vanishing at a great rate lately. Perhaps one does not realize he is stealing when he "borrows" a book or something, but he surely is. Don't be a Kleptomaniac; it is as bad as it sounds.

WOULDN'T IT SEEM QUEER?"

(to see)

Ada Meltzer without a smile,
Edith Smart out of style.
Lucile Lang without her ford,
Driving as if she were a lord.
Ralph Ross reading a book,
After catching a teacher's "look".
Dorothy Harriman without Dietz,
Their babyish ways can't be beat.
Hazel Cave out of prim,
Just like one of the gold dust twins.
Barclay Noble walking slow,
When the "Spirit" is waiting, you know.
"Flip" and "Buzz" without a man,
Stepping out if they can.

"That's all."

M. N.

Considering the political situation at the present time, it has seemed best to offer a study in Civics. Surely nothing could be more practical, as so many people are still ignorant of the governmental affairs and so to make better citizens, this course is given and required for graduation. All seniors who have not had Civics will be placed in an advanced class during the second semester.

If you ask Marion Smith why she likes to drive Ted Jones' Ford, she'll tell you its because she enjoys running down innocent old cows and bending up the Ford fenders.

Theresa Judge upon being asked to sing, "I Love You Truly," stammered, "Oh, no, wait until Ed comes."

"There, little girl, don't cry;
They have broken your doll, I know."
Then she turned around, and behold, I saw
A woman of sixty or so.—Copped.

NEWS

Y. W. C. A.

Miss Buchanan, a Girls' Secretary from Des Moines who talked to the Ames High Girls, Oct. 9, aroused more interest and enthusiasm for Y. W. C. A. than there was already. The girls have been wanting some chance to become acquainted and to get together for good times and interesting work. A Y. W. C. A. organization seems to be just the thing to accomplish all this. With the help of the college girls and leaders and Miss Miller we ought to have a fine live Y. W. C. A. Unit.

WHAT Y. W. C. A. IS!

In these days of efficiency we feel like putting a "Stop! Look! Listen!" sign before everything we write. The term Y. W. C. A. has come to most of us with a new force. We have been accustomed to think of it as some vague possibility—a thing to be attained in the future.

The Y. W. C. A. is not only a state wide organization; it is word wide. It is organized for the main purpose of helping girls to live a better balanced life. To promote this aim, it has for its motto—"Body, mind and spirit."

The Y. W. C. A. activities are very well adapted to a well rounded life. There is the friendship or membership activity; the social service; the devotional and the social.

It is useless to ask whether or not it is worth while to ally ourselves with such an organization. Right now the High School girls in Ames have the opportunity to become a part of this great world wide movement. Is it not worthy of the most serious consideration?

How will the Ames High School girls profit by such an alliance? In the first place it will help the girls to know each other better. Friendship is a wonderful thing and it will be much more broadening to know more than one select group of girls. In the second place, it will put them on record as being wide awake and willing to join the great army of service. It is an opportunity to help out in the

spirit of democracy which is so necessary to the life of our nation.

A meeting was held Monday afternoon for the purpose of organization but the Spirit had gone to press.

BOOST FOR DEBATING.

With one veteran of last year's debating team as a nucleus, Miss Stewart is endeavoring to secure a large number for the tryouts. To date, only three or four have signed up, while a few others have signified their intention of doing so.

A school of this size should have at least twenty five debaters to pick from. The benefits of debating are many: one receives experienced coaching; acquires ability to speak in public; and is trained to reason out questions; and to argue intelligently.

Why isn't more interest shown? We all expect the other fellow to do it. Do it yourself, you're able, if you were not mentally able you wouldn't be in school. A large mount of the success of a debater depends on his mental powers.

Do your bit! and make a successful season along the debating line.

DECLAMATORY CONTEST.

The Declamatory Contest has aroused considerable interest. Thirty people have signed up and several more intend to do so. The Freshmen have volunteered exceptionally well; this is fortunate because they can carry on the work for several years.

The upper class men have failed woefully to do their part, not one entering. The older boys especially are urged to enter the oratorical division. In order to put the contest on a firm basis the upper classes should have their representatives.

The first try outs will probably be held the nineteenth or twentieth of December,—the finals open to the public, a week or so later. The date and place for the sub-district contest, in which Ames will be represented, will be announced in a later issue.

The speaker may choose his own subject but it must not be more than fifteen minutes in length.

Altho you may not coin a prize in the contest, the training derived is almost invaluable. The ability to speak well before an audience is one of the most valuable assets a person can have. The opportunity is open to all who grasp it and they will be fully repaid for trying out at least. Hand in your name at once and make the Declamatory Contest the best ever.

Hi Y Activities.

On Wednesday, October third, a talk by Coach Mayser from the college on "Good Sportsmanship," was much enjoyed by the fine bunch of fellows that were out. Mayser gave us a picture of two types of great athletics. One was Coach Sharp of Cornell University, active in all athletics as well as the Y. M. C. A., who attended to his own religious affairs. The other fellow was also a great athlete but he was the type who try to correct others as well as number one. Some of Mayser's humorous remarks added a great deal to the talk.

The key fellows of the school were out and Hi Y extends an invitation to all the new ones to come back again and be a part of the organization. Some mighty fine talks and programs are being planned which are well worth the time.

Wednesday night, October tenth, was a social night—advertised as a Paddle Social. Sayre, from the college Y. M. C. A., gave a good talk on "Bible Study." After the talk, the rest of the evening was turned over to the social committee. Games such as Basket Ball, Shoe Race, Hot Hand, Boxing Matches and contests of different kinds were staged, after them the eats, which consisted of apples and popcorn.

To give the fellows a hint of what we do every evening the program is as follows: From seven to seven thirty boxing matches are staged; next, the gang goes to the auditorium where the main program of the evening is carried out, two songs are sung, prayer, a good talk by some college fellow or business man who is popular among the boys, followed by a patriotic song and a closing prayer. Those who care to remain, gather around the piano and

sing popular songs. Once every month the evening is given over to the social committee. Let's be good sports and back the Hi Y.

THE HI Y'S PROGRAM FOR THE FIRST SEMESTER

What is the "Hi Y?" What is it doing in the high school? Does it need me? Have the majority of fellows in Ames '19 been fair enough with themselves to try to answer these questions? We think they have not. The purpose of this article is to help them answer these questions.

First, the purpose of the "Hi Y" is to help a fellow live a clean, straight, manly life, while doing this to contribute as much as he can toward his high school. Would you be ashamed to line up with any organization for that purpose? Would you be a "Sissy?"

Second, not what has it done, but what it is doing. With a bunch of twenty-five or thirty fellows as a nucleus, it is trying to carry out the above purposes.

Following are the ways its members are endeavoring to accomplish those purposes:

General Program for the Semester.

1. Meeting once each week on Wednesday evening for a short talk by some prominent man. Such subjects as the following to be considered: "A Boy's Job in War Times." "Good Sportsmanship." "Why Bible Study?" "The Value of a College Education." "The Christmas Program." "Our School Standards, Etc."

2. In addition to these short talks about twenty minutes' good, snappy Bible study is led by an outside prominent person and applied to our every day work in high school.

3. Once each month a friendly, social good time, special athletic stunts and eats.

4. Sending The Spirit to our boys who have enlisted. Writing them letters of encouragement, etc.

5. Contributing a day's work each month or one dollar in cash to improve the prison camps in Europe. Help the army Y. M. C. A. and starving people of the war stricken countries.

6. Conducting a big all-high school carnival or social stunt for an evening's entertainment and fun for everybody in the high school.

The above is merely a general program

of the "Hi Y" for the first semester. Isn't this enough to prove to you that this is an organization with a purpose to build up our high school and help fellows to be clean, honest, manly and partiotic? Is it worth your while? "Hi Y" needs you.

ATTENTION! ROOTERS!

For a while this fall, there will be no chance for Inter-High School competition, so to keep Ames High Rooters in condition there must be just oddles and oodles of Class Pep. The series of interclass games arranged by Mr. Thompson will be the biggest factor, but "The Spirit" also wants to help. For this reason, "The Spirit" is offering the following proposition: that, the class having the largest percentage of its members listed as subscribers will be allowed to put out an edition of "The Spirit" all alone. The class reporter will be the Editor for two busy weeks. Class Presidents should co-operate by appointing committees to canvas all of their members. The runner up also will be allowed this honor, but not the fame of being the most loyal class in our school. Say! Everybody! lets get busy and organize. Lets make "Our Boys" at the front proud of the rest of us. Everyone of them will receive a "Spirit" with the compliments of the School. They will know just what you are doing for your school. Any names not appearing on the list in the first issue should be handed to Tom Mus-sen at once.

A special subscription price of fifty cents will be made after this issue.

LET'S BREAK OUR RECORD!

A. H. S. has again entered the State Extemporaneous League. We entered last year, but of course not many could be expected to know it since we did nothing, but enter.

It s well worth while to enter this as the two interdistrict champions will be given a four year scholarship to the State University of Iowa.

Each school entering is allowed one contestant and each contestant is allowed eight minutes to discuss one of the fifteen subjects.

There should be at least six or ten enter the Preliminary contest which will be held here in the Auditorium. The person who

wins out in the preliminary will represent us at the District contest and finally at the State, which is held at Iowa City.

"Where there's a will there's a way", and if Ames High School enters this with the same force and pep as is being shown in other activities this year, we will not only be represented at the State Contest, but one of us will get the scholarship.

For further information and a list of subjects see Miss Williams, who has charge of it.

Is this your copy or are you 'mooching' from some real rooter?

THE BOY SCOUTS.

The scouts of Ames are getting well started on their new year's work. Troop One held its annual election in September. The following officers were elected: Leslie Gray, Patrol, and Raymond Byrnes, assistant Patrol, leader of the Crow Patrol. Russell Coon, Patrol leader and Glenn Durrell assistant Patrol leader of the Whip-poor-will Patrol. Carvel Caine Patrol leader and Robert Potter assistant Patrol leader of the Raven Patrol. Russell Coon, being the elder of the Patrol Leaders took the office of troop President. Raymond Byrnes was re-elected scribe and Robert Potter received the treasureship. Mr. Singer gave a short talk at that meeting out-lining our work for the year, both along the line of business and social activities.

We are planning to make a better showing than ever before and will endeavor to have each Scout pass up a number of tests in the following year. The meetings are to be held more often than formerly some of which will be devoted entirely to having a good time.

LITERARY SOCIETIES.

The literary work for this semester is to be crried out along a plan similar to that of last year. Each class is to be organized into a society and will have its own program committee and officers, elected by the class. Two supervisors have been selected for each class from among the teachers. They are for the first semester as follows:

Senior Miss Sprague, Miss Coskery
Junior Miss Coffee, Miss Williams
Sophomore Miss Gates, Miss Niles

Freshmen . . Miss Thornburg, Miss Miller

The programs are to be given only once a month instead of every two weeks, as was done last year. Following is the schedule:

Friday, Sept. 28 . . . Seniors . . . Auditorium
Juniors . . . Study Hall
Friday, Oct. 26 . . . Sophs . . . Study Hall
Freshmen . . Auditorium
Wed., Nov. 28 . . . Sophs . . . Study Hall
Juniors . . . Auditorium
Friday, Dec. 21 . . . Sophs . . . Study Hall
Freshmen . . Auditorium

SCHEDULE OF ASSEMBLIES—FIRST SEMESTER 1917-1918.

AMES HIGH SCHOOL.

Wednesday, Sept. 19, Mr. Helsey—The H. S. and the War.
Wednesday, Sept. 26, Miss Freed—The Library and the H. S.
Wednesday, Oct. 3, Rev. Harris—The H. S. Pupil and Religion.
Wednesday, Oct. 10, Mr. Pollard—Special Music.
Tuesday, Oct. 16, Professor Beckman—Some Things the Board of Education Would Like to See the H. S. Accomplish.
Wednesday, Oct. 24, Senior Class Program.
Wednesday, Oct. 31, Mr. Steffey—H. S. Citizenship.
Wednesday, Nov. 7, Dr. Proctor—The H. S. Pupil's Responsibility for Health.
Wednesday, Nov. 21, Mr. Pollard—Special Musical Program.
Wednesday, Dec. 5, Mr. Judish—The H. S. as the Business Men See It.
Wednesday, Dec. 12, Sophomore Class Program.
Wednesday, Dec. 19, Christmas Program.
Wednesday, Jan. 9, Judge Lee—What the H. S. Should Contribute to the Community.

In addition to the presentation of these subjects during each assembly, the regular devotional exercises will be held. Also special music will be provided. We shall greatly appreciate the cooperation of every pupil in helping make our assemblies a valuable contribution to our high school life.

JUNIOR "LIT." PROGRAM.

Friday, September 28, the junior class had its first literary program. After roll call by the secretary a very good program was given. One very interesting number was a campfire song by eight girls in costume. The program came to a close with the singing of "America" by the class.

Re-mem-ber!

The Spirit is a student publication, and its only excuse for life is the furthering of student interests. If you have suggestions, if anything in school is not as you think it should be, it ought to be your duty and pleasure to write it up and put it in the "Spirit Box" at the back of the Study Hall. Everything will be published except personal "slams" or jealous hits. We can make the student opinion column a vital force in the life of the school.

FOOD CONSERVATION.

Themes are being written by all Sophomores in their English classes. There is a state contest which consists of four classes which may win: 1. rural one-room schools. 2. fourth, fifth and sixth grades of consolidated schools. 3. seventh and eighth grades in town and consolidated schools. 4. high school grades. The essays must be written in school under the charge of a teacher on Monday, Oct. 15. The subject for the theme is "Food Conservation or How to Save Food." The object of carrying on this work in the schools is to make people realize that they must economize food to help win the war.

Sophomores of Ames High get busy and not only "do your bit" but "do your best in this educational drive to help win the war."

"What is the difference between lightning and electricity?"

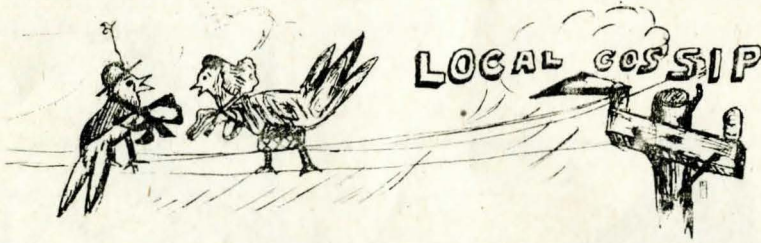
"You don't have to pay anything for lightning."

Miss Coskery: "Edna, what was Miss Arletta's idea of heaven?"

Edna Armstrong: "Well, she thought it was warm."

"Which animal is satisfied with the least amount of nourishment?"

"The moth: It only eats holes."



Jessie Gibbs and Edna Wearth were Des Moines visitors Sunday.

Dorothy Oliver made a week-end trip to Cedar Rapids.

Rose Gore and Hazel Richter were at Roland for the week-end.

Rozella Carberry and Marie Judge went to Boone Tuesday night.

Dietz Nelson was absent from school all day October 8 (?).

Christine Arnold went to see her parents in the country.

It has almost been decided necessary to employ an extra postman for the special use of the girls receiving mail from Camp Cody and Cimp Mills.

On account of the kindergarten recently installed the home economics sewing room has been transferred to the basement of Central school. The room has been enameled in white and being well equipped and lighted it is very effective.

Orville Apland was drafted, but he has not had time to write and let any of his Ames friends know his address.

Harvey Fitch has completed his training course and is expecting to go on active duty. Two boys from the same school are already out, the one on a mine sweeper in the English channel, the other on a patrol boat.

Please hand in the names and addresses of any A. H. S. boys who have enlisted and we have missed. Any letters or parts of letters which could be published will be welcomed by the whole school.

Don't forget that the annual is coming and that every penny extra will be put into it.

Barbara Stanton, Ethel Cole, Harriet Sloss, Dorothy McCarroll and Agnes Noble took a hike to the woods about five miles east of Gilbert last Saturday. There they had a regular picnic and gathered nuts. P. S.—They hiked out on the train and back

in Stanton's auto.

Mayser invited the boys to come out to the gym next winter and learn to wrestle and box. He has the boys' thanks.

Harriet Tilden and a few friends motored to Nevada Saturday.

The Junior Ragtime Orchestra met last time with Florence Goddard. Norma Haverly was a guest.

Goldie Jacobson, Elsie Elliot, Estella Sill and Miss Stewart drove to Gilbert last week.

Fern Grover had a party for a few friends last Thursday evening.

Marie Mortenson entertained a few girls at her home Friday evening, Oct. 5.

Word has been received that Dale McCarty is sick in a hospital in Honolulu. It is not known how seriously ill he is.

Have you heard of Margaret Sloss' niece? It is predicted that she will be a very wonderful girl.

Helen and Hazel Nesbit spent last week end in Nevada with friends.

Teachers and pupils unite in the praise of 'Jim and Ragesdale' our first prize janitors. Jim says all the pretty girls speak to him but Ragesdale says all the good ones speak to him so its quits. Lets remember how they help us when we are in trouble and go a little easy throwing chalk and stepping on it.

Friday evening Oct. 5, the Sophs had a grand glorious picnic at Swinging Bridge. Wienes and marshmallows were roasted and every one there had the time of their lives. The whole party was taken out in cars.

Dorothy Beam and Lillie Roberson have each received a diploma in typewriting. The test they passed was to write forty words a minute for ten minutes with not more than five mistakes. Miss Boyd prophesied gold medals for them in the near future.



The algebra class working graph problems. Lydia Tilden: "Well, I don't see how you get those curves to go straight."

"Who's going with Buzz Lang now?"
"Nobody."

Bill Winters: "What did you do in Economics today?"

John S. "Got bawled out again."

In a small English town there were two rival sausage makers who lived across the street from each other. One of them placed over his shop the following legend:

"We sell sausages to the gentry and nobility of the country."

The next day over the way appeared the sign:

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Not to be out done, the rival put up what he evidently regarded as a final statement, namely:

"We sell sausages to the King."

Next day, over the way appeared this simple expression of loyalty:

"God save the King."

—Christian Science Monitor.

"I haven't slept for days."

"Sick?"

"Naw, I sleep nights."—Copped.

Mrs. Wherry, upon finding the kitchen in a very disorderly state, exclaimed angrily: "Doris, what have you been doing? Every dish and utensil have been used!"

Doris who was rather discouraged after such strenuous work, stammered: "Why—Mother, I was just baking a potato like

Miss Miller taught us in Home Economics this morning."

"Isn't it terrible to think he went right through Tom's windshield?"

Gladys G.: "What's the windshield?"

Miss Niles, in Geometry, had asked how to go about it to connect the three points of a given triangle.

Romon Knipe: "Put the leg in point A, and draw it around to B and C."

Ancient History.—"What is the worst side of naval warfare?"

"The broad-side, ma'am."

"Dad, isn't this roast beef?" asked the small boy.

Dad stopped talking long enough to say: "Yes, son."

"Why, I thought you said you were going to bring a mutton head home to dinner."

And the guest actually blushed.

THE TRUTH IS OUT.

"Tommy, why were you fighting that boy?"

"To keep from gettin' licked."

TOO LITERAL.

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Prep. (curiously) "Where did he pinch her?"

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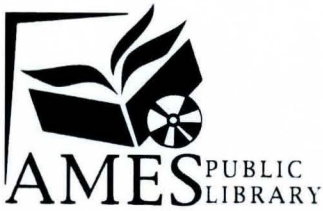
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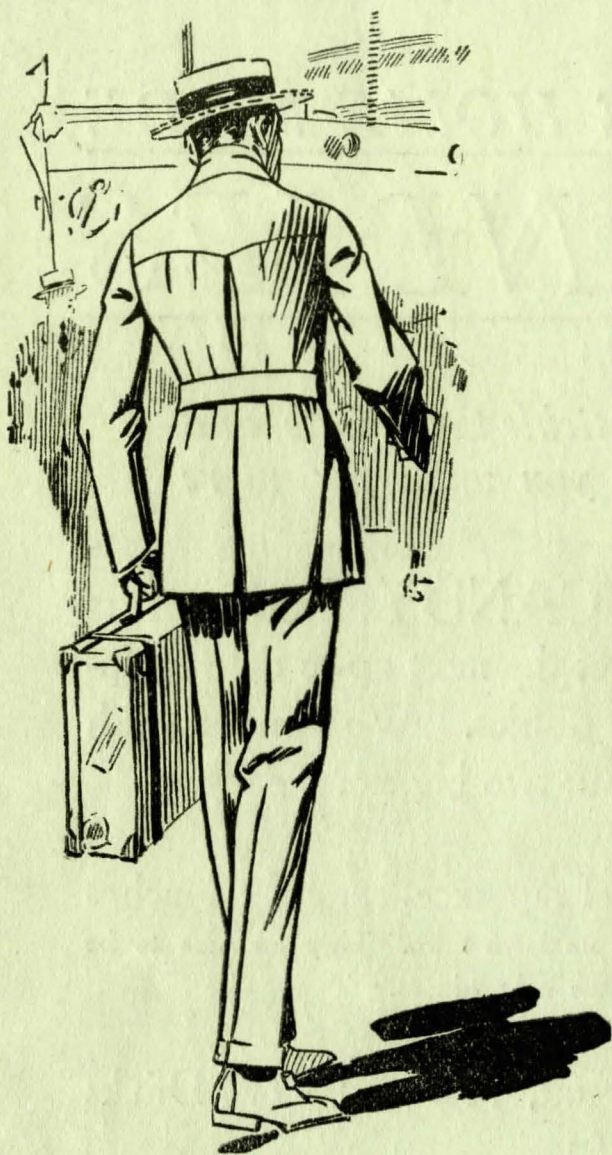
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No. 5

Y. W. A BIG SUCCESS!

Girls! Are you one of the 125? Is your name some where in the lists of charter members of the Y. W. C. A.? Do you take a particular pride in the places you write your name? Of course you do. Every girl does.

If some one should come to the High School to look up your record—say for business reference—wouldn't it look fine to see your name there in the Y. W. lists?

Then just for personal satisfaction, you're glad you belong to an association whose ideals are high, whose aim is democracy and friendship. Then too, there's just a little feeling that your life is bigger and better, for you can't sign your name to the Y. W. and still live for yourself. No! that's too easy, you're going to live just a little more for some one else now.

Monday, October 22, at 3:30 the girls who had signed up as members of the Y. W. C. A. met and elected the following officers:

President Ina Reins
Vice-Pres. Sara Brown
Secretary Harriett Tilden

After the meeting the girls had a play hour in the "gym" and they sure had a "whee" of a time, as one of the "preps" declared.

The big convention is to be held Nov. 23-24. There will be at least one hundred and fifty girls here to represent different parts of the state. Every member of the Y. W. must help entertain.

REAL PATRIOTS.

The Boy Scouts of Ames are surely living up to their motto, "Be Prepared." When Uncle Sam called for the 2nd Liberty Loan, the Scouts were on the job and in picking up the odds and ends left by the city canvassers secured \$3,700. Alfred Carlton earned a War Service badge for securing subscription from ten families. He raised \$1,700 by himself. In addition, the rest of his troop secured over \$1500, and the 2nd troop about \$1000. The college troop was advised not to enter for various reasons, therefore did not do so. \$3,700 surely speaks well for the Ames Scouts and we are proud of them.

WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY!

Extemporaneous speaking has wonderful opportunity. The competition is not great, according to a letter received from headquarters, and we stand an excellent chance to secure the stat title. There will be a home contest, district and finally the state contest at Iowa City. The winner receives a four year scholarship at Iowa University and a medal. Miss Williams has charge of the work, and will gladly give particulars concerning it. The contestant prepares on fifteen subjects for an eight minute talk on each. The subjects are George Washington, Japan, Conservation of National Resources, Submarine, Latin-America, Honor System, Russia Red Cross, Aeroplane, Abraham Lincoln, Military Conscription, Motion pictures, Belgium and one of the speaker's choice.

Only two have signed up so far: Muriel Mackie and Harry Stewart, and others should sign up at once, especially the girls and the boys who are not in athletics. Come out and win honors for A. H. S.

Only Six Debaters Turn Out.

Miss Stewart will be forced to draft debaters unless more answer the call within the next few weeks. So far only two girls and four boys have handed in their names. This year there should be more girls than boys because the out-standing boys have answered the call and there are more girls than boys anyway. A girl really has an advantage in high school debating, for the judges always make allowance for the supposed superiority of the boys, and older men generally favor girls who have energy. From the way the girls run such things as class meetings, organize Y. W. and get the highest marks in their studies one would think they believed in Woman's Rights, but they seem to want to depend on "a woman's intuition" rather than on argument to decide the big questions.

Those working on the question: Resolved, That the Government should own and operate the steam railways, are, Leslie Gray, Anna Lindauer, Alfred Carleton, Muriel Mackie, Barclay Noble, Victor Beach.

Only enough people have shown an interest in debating to fill the two teams, two more are needed as alternates. There should be enough live high school students here to make competition interesting. Come out! There is a place waiting for you! Get an early start! (Remember the saying about the bird and the worm.)

SOPHS 53; PREPS 0.

A regular track meet was staged when Sophs met Preps last Thursday evening on a muddy field. The majority of Sophs' gains were made around end by Elliott, Bennett and Scovel except when Joe Marconis shattered the Prep's line with his hundred and eighty pounds.

Meredith was probably the individual star, because of his ability to tackle and run with the ball. This was the Preps' main defense throughout the game.

SENIORS 13—JUNIORS 0

The Seniors trimmed the Juniors amid a flurry of snow by two touchdowns, one made by Tom Musson, who carried the ball thirty yards after intercepting a pass and the other on straight football. The Senior backs made consistent gains around the ends and Innes gained ground by smashing also. The Juniors were forced to resort to a passing game, completing several in spite of numb fingers. A pass from Potter to Howell placed them within twenty yards of goal once.

JUNIORS 19—PREPS 3

In the first half of the game, the Freshmen, although they had four or five men on the line who weighed less than a hundred, completely outfought the heavy Juniors and were able to gain consistently on Griffith's line plunges. The Preps were forced to be content with a drop kick by O'Brien. Thompson played the best defensive game, O'Brien played a good game except for occasional little dirty tricks and Norton starred at receiving passes.

With Cupps and Ross smashing the line, the Juniors were able to make three touchdowns in the second half. The feature of the game was the forty yard run of Cupps through the Prep team for a touchdown.

**The Bi-Weekly News Issue of
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As we all know too well Ames is not represented by an athletic team, but we must not let this keep us off the inter-high-school map. If things were as they should be, we would stand a chance of winning honors in public speaking, but you cannot have winning teams without competition.

Grls, why aren't you showing your pep by turning out for debating, extemporaneous speaking, and declamation? It is your only chance to represent your High School. Are you content to merely cheer others? There are so many out-standing girls in this school who ought to be loyal enough to their school as well as to themselves to make these activities successful. More boys should be out because this is also their only chance to represent the school at present. Everybody is eligible and ability to speak before a crowd comes only with practice.

You will develop more quickly if you work on debating and extemporaneous speaking than you will if you earn a grade of ninety-eight in all your subjects; for you will soon acquire poise and be natura before a crowd; you will be developing into a forceful speaker able to use the proper emphasis and appropriate gestures; you will, in time, be able to think rapidly, clearly and easily under the most trying conditions; and you will honor your school and classmates more if you really make some sacrifice for them. Of course, you must not expect to develop too rapidly, but you can be sure you are on the right road.

If you come out, your friends will come out because they like to follow you, and your enemies will come out because they will be jealous.

We have been told many times that we must prepare to become the leaders of the public, yet ability to lead comes only with the ability to sway others and express exactly and forcefully our stand on a subject, and this ability comes only with constant practice.

The boys who enlisted are giving their all for the future of our country, surely, we must at least make an effort in the right path. Please, line up with the boosters. Be Patriotic for America and A. H. S.

Dear Tom: I believe I would rather face the Germans than attempt to write a letter, but as I have started I will try to give you an idea of

our camp life. When we first arrived at Camp Mills our schedule called for seven hours drill each day but now that we have proven ourselves capable of handling the Germans they are letting us off with four hours drill in the morning and forty-five minutes school in the afternoon.

First call is now sounded at 6 o'clock and roll is called at 6:15. Mess (breakfast) is served at 6:30. Our morning meal generally consists of oatmeal, bacon, bread and coffee. At 8 o'clock we start for the drill grounds which is about a thirty minute hike. About three hours is spent in close order and extended drill, setting up exercises and last but not least the bayonet exercises. When we get back to camp it is 12 o'clock and mail is called. This is when we all gather around close and when we do not get any mail from home we find some one who did and get the home news from him.

Mess (dinner) which is composed of meat, potatoes, beans, corn, bread and some kind of fruit, is served at 12:30 and we have until 1:30 to eat. About forty-five minutes is taken up with first aid school and then we have until 4:30 to ourselves. At 4:30 we stand retreat, no doubt you know all about retreat so I will not attempt to tell you.

Mess (supper) is served at 5 o'clock. Our evening meal generally consists of corn, potatoes, beans, bread and coffee and after we have eaten this we can do as we please until 9:30. Call to quarters is sounded at 9:30 and taps at 9:45.

I remain,

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The next contest for the literary issue of Dec. 19, will be between two classes. The Freshmen and Sophomores will write Xmas stories, the Juniors and Seniors, editorials. The subject may be one of interest to the writer and we ought to get some splendid material in stories from the Freshmen and Sophomores, judging from the good ones submitted last time. The Juniors and Seniors have a chance for a little student opinion work here and should seize this opportunity to express their opinion and at the same time have a chance for the prize.

To the winner of both contests an appropriate pennant will be given during the Christmas program. It will be the same style as the one awarded Muriel Mackie. That pennant will be shown in assembly today. Extra English credit is also given.

All material for this contest should be written in ink on one side of the paper and handed to Romana Reins by Dec. 12. Let us all get busy.

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NEWS.

Letha Fish spent the week end at Madrid.

Hazel Richter was hostess at a Hallowe'en party given at her home October 30.

Lucille Lang spent Sunday in Des Moines.

Grace Vickery was a Des Moines visitor Sunday.

Marian Smith entertained about twenty of her friends at a Hallowe'en party, at her home, Friday night.

We advise all telephone poles anywhere near a road to beware of Fords when Mable is driving. (Especially, if it is after a dance.)

Did anyone besides Miss Sprague and Miss Fickel meet a white elephant with dirty paws Sunday morning about nine o'clock?

Only eleven girls out of the whole High School went to the Red Cross rooms last Saturday. They urge the rest of you to come this week.

Elanche Bentley '17 visited high school last Wednesday.

Mr. Steffey talks on "H. S. Citizenship" today at assembly.

Sh-h! there will be no school Friday afternoon.

"Bob" Thompson is going to pick out a team to play the victorious Sophs, and he promises a game worth seeing. It will be played in about two weeks.

Hariett Schleiter was a Boone visitor last Saturday.

Saturday evening, October 20, Florence Godard entertained a few friends at her home.

A bunch of Junior girls motored to Nevada a week ago last Sunday.

Miss Coskery spent Saturday at her home in Des Moines.

Helen and Hazel Nesbit will attend a Hallowe'en party in Nevada tonight.

The Freshman Literary Program was held Friday, Oct. 26. There were many interesting speeches, several musical numbers, and two humorous readings. The meeting was carried on in Parliamentary order.

The first Freshman party, Friday, Oct. 26, was greatly enjoyed by all who were present. There were many original and striking masquerades. The Gym was very appropriately decorated, carrying out the Hallowe'en scheme. Mr. Steffey gave a very inspiring speech. A "pep" meeting concluded the evening's entertainment.

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SOPHOMORES TRIM SENIORS

The cold blasts from the north numbed the fingers of the players and caused a great many fumbles. The ball see-sawed back and forth until near the end of the first quarter when Elliott got away for a touchdown.

The second quarter started with the Sophomores in the possession of the ball with twenty yards of the Senior's goal. After a number of successful line plunges, Scovel smashed over for the final touchdown, and Scovel kicked goal. Score 13 to 0 in favor of the Sophomores.

The last half the Seniors played the Sophs. on even terms. The Seniors were once within ten yards of their opponents goal but lost the ball on downs.

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For amusement, books, magazines, pool tables, bowling alleys, baseball and basket ball are among the leaders. The club women of San Francisco are giving a series of entertainments for the enlisted men. The Y. M. C. A. is also on the job with speakers, singers, and story tellers almost every week. This is a great treat for the boys, but many of them would rather hear that "other" Girl sing.

Army life is affording many experiences, but it is one that we hope will never become necessary again for many years. Just one thing we want you to remember—Uncle Sam is going to make a touchdown on the Kaiser. I am going to close with best wishes for the Students of the Ames High School.

Truly yours,
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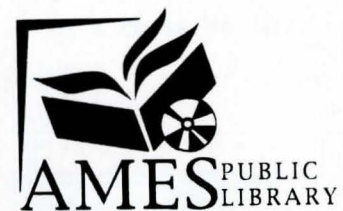
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SOPHOMORES CLASS CHAMPIONS

The "Soph's" continued their track meet as with the Preps when they met the Juniors Monday night, October twenty-ninth. The Juniors however put up a game fight and held the Soph's to a smaller margin than did the Preps. The total score being 37-0.

The Sophomore's back field consisting of Grey, Elliott, Scoville, and Bennett were up to their usual form and totaled a large score. The Soph's line so far this season has not been equaled.

Hess, Potter, Meyers and Jarvis were the greatest strength of the Junior's.

Freshmen-Senior Game

One of the hardest fought games of the season was played Thursday night, November first when the Senior's and Freshmen Clashed.

The score at the end of the first half was 6-0, in favor of Seniors. At the beginning of the second half Noton, the Freshman left half, broke away after intercepting a forward pass, for a forty yard run. He was downed from behind by Innes within twenty yards of the Senior goal. During the whole game the preps fought like wildcats and deserve much credit.

In the last quarter Winters repeated his act of the first quarter and made the final touchdown. The final score of the game was 12-0 in favor of the Seniors.

WHAT WE NEED

We, the Hi Y, want every fellow in school to back this organization. The Hi Y has pledged fifty dollars for the Y. M. C. A. War Fund and it needs your help in every way possible.

The Y likes to see the fine bunch of fellows turn out to the social stunts but it hopes that you will keep it up and come to each weeks meeting.

A big Y. W. and Y. M. mixer is being planned in the form of a Carnival and they want everybody to do their part in making it a success. It is not just the Y. W. or the Hi Y stunts, but it is an all High School affair. We want you to help us to put the thing across. Will You Do It?

SOPH'S WALLOP "ALL STARS"

The Sophmores proved to everybody's satisfaction that they were the school champions. They outplayed the All-Stars in every side of the game, except forward passing.

The "All-Stars" were picked from the other three classes and coached by Thompson. Their line was much heavier than the Sophs, but the feature of the game was the way the Sophmore line opened up holes for its back field, the Sophmores gained chiefly on line-bucks by Grey and Elliott. Thompson said, "Elliott and Gray sure are shooting through those holes hard."

Some members of the "All-Star" line seemed to think all they had to do was to stand still, either on defensive or offensive. Belknap played a good defensive game for the Stars, and Bennet played a "star" defensive game for the Sophmores. Their whole team was on its toes all the time. Innis slowed up the backfield work of the "All-Stars" but passed and punted in good form.

A fifty yard run by Scoville for a touchdown furnished a real thrill. And the passing game introduced by the All Stars in the last half added a decided spice to the scrappy game.

Much credit must go to "Coach" Joe Anderson of the victorious sophmores. He put more snap into them than they have displayed in their previous games. Their team-work was excellent, and this may be the reason they beat the "All stars" who fought hard even though they had had only a weeks practice together. The Sophs won on team-work, fight, and just plain "natural ability."

Thompson will pick out All High School first and second teams for the next issue of the Spirit.

LINE-UP

"All-Stars"	Position	Sophs
Norton	L. E.	Hubbard
Goode	L. T.	Mayo
Noble	L. G.	Cornielson
L. Johnson	C.	Thornburg
Sauvain	Q.	Bennet
Meyers	R. T.	Oliver
Belknap	R. E.	Carter
Souvain	Q	net
Winters	L. H.	Grey

Watkins	R. H.	Elliott
Innis	F. B.	Scovel

SUMMARY

Substitutes: Thompson for Meyers. Forward passes completed; Stars, 4, incomplete; Sophs, 1; Stars, 4. First down: Sophs, 14; Stars, 4. Penalties: Sophs, 30 yds. Safties Bennet, 1. Touchdowns: Scoville, 2. Goals after touchdown: Elliott, 2. Score: Sophs, 20; All-Stars, 2.

Y. W. GIRLS!

The big conference is coming! Have you heard about it? Sure you have, that is you have, if you have any nose for sews. There will be one grand time from Friday night until Sunday night! Get in on it.

Representatives are coming from all over the state. Peppy girls from all the first class High Schools. O! in't it great! and WE get to entertain them too.

Here's just a hint of the good times we are going to have:

Friday, November 23; Registration.

Friday evening; program and party in the "gym."

Saturday; 9:00-12:00; Reports etc., from conference girls. 1:00 4:00, Programs. (1) reports, (2) talk by Miss Shattok; 4:00 tour of Campus; 7:30 Banquet.

Sunday; 4:00 Vesper Service; 8:00 Sermon to conference.

Now doesn't that sound fine! and that isn't all either. Come to the Y. W. meeting Thursday at 3:30 and we will talk more about it, also about the recognition service at the college, Sunday, November 18 for every girl who has signed up for membership.

Girls! here is another hint.—Carnival.—In about four weeks. Isn't it jolly! Under the auspices of the Y. M. and Y. W. with the faculty. Who can say we have a pepless High School now We'll show 'em, wont we?

Class stunts—

Minstrels—

Wonderful (?) art exhibit—

CIRCUS! !!

Carnivals are educational things you know, so be sure to tell every one about it. College people, students, faculty,—everyone!

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EDITORIAL

By hard work, the members of a small parish had been able to build a church, but they still lacked a bell. Casey was the only regular church goer who had not contributed liberally, and so the minister went to him and said that they needed a hundred dollars to buy a bell, and if he could raise fifty dollars, Mr. Dillon had promised twenty-five, Mr. Dollan fifteen, and some others between them ten.

Casey said, "Faith I love the bells, and I'll just give you the fifty."

So the bell was ordered. However, the first Sunday morning after the bell was used Casey did not come to church. The minister was disturbed and went to see Casey. He found him with his coat and shoes off, comfortably smoking his pipe. The minister said, "Why weren't you at church, Casey?"

Casey said, "Faith I did start, but when I got half way I noticed what the bell was saying. It said, 'Dillon, Dollan Dillon, Dollan,' and not one dom word about Casey."

There are a lot of Caseys in A. H. S. who deserve more credit than they get. We are proud of the girls who quietly give some of their recreation to the Red Cross, of the way the Boy Scouts proved their true patriotism, of the boys who played in the class series and the few girls who cheered them. The teachers appreciate the cheerful and kindly attitude of the pupils, even though they have to bawl us out occasionally, and the pupils appreciate the helpful and interested way the teachers have, although we growl over assignments at times, and that those in charge do not make strict rules which are always a temptation to break. And — The Spirit is thankful for the loyal support of the pupils.

**WHAT WE THINK.
(Students Opinion)**

Seniors! Where is our pep and class spirit? Ten weeks of school have elapsed and so far as Social activity is concerned the Seniors aren't on the map. Let's get there with a vim. Half the class do not know who the other half are and nothing gets you so well acquainted as a party. Here's to developing our latent class spirit and making our last year the best year of all.

Dear Mr. Stefey:

Well, if it would help Uncle Sam, and end the war sooner, I wish that we could be with the boys in France. Most of the fellows are anxious to get across to France, but no one down here seems to think that we will ever get to go across. Well I don't care much whether we do or not. I would like the trip and experience, but I don't like the idea of being out in service so long.

This certainly is an odd country for weather. The days are very hot and the nights are very cold. It froze ice here last night and today it is smothering hot. We have our tents boarded up now and feel fine at night.

We are having football games down here now. We will have a fine team as we have some varsity men from Ames, Webster City, and Eagle Grove. I shouldn't imagine it would be very much sport to waller around in the sand and light on a cactus. I saw a postal card down town the other day and it said that this country was made from what the "Devil had left over when he made Hell." I have just about begun to think that this statement is true.

Well, I will have to close now as there is not much to talk about. Write often.

Your friend,
Harold Seymour.

NOTICE!

All Christmas stories and editorials for the Literary number must be in December sixth.

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The teachers have made arrangements making it possible for the girls who wish to knit for the Red Cross, to do so, during school hours. Definite periods during the day will be devoted to this work which will be under the supervision of the teachers who will gladly teach the girls how to knit if they do not know already. So girls if you cannot knit learn; if you can, spend at least one vacant period a week doing it.

The following teachers will be at their class rooms at the scheduled periods: Monday: Miss Fickel, 1st, Miss Gates, 4th; Tuesdays: Miss Miller, 4th; Miss Barnes, 7th. Wednesday: Miss Thornburg 4th; Miss Niles, 6th; Miss Spague, 3rd. Thursday: Miss Cockery, 2nd, Miss Stewart, 3rd.. Friday: Miss Coffey, 2nd; Miss Mills, 5th.

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NEWS

Miss Thornburg entertained the Ames High teachers Saturday evening in honor of Miss Turner and Miss Ada Sprague of Des Moines.

Georgina Kirkham and Dorothy Grewell spent the week end in Des Moines.

Grace Kimball entertained twelve of her girl friends at a Halloween party, Saturday, November 3.

Miss Barne's sister visited here November 2 and 3.

Caroline Crosby and Fern Grover spent the week end with Priscilla Dodds.

Ardella P ke spent Sunday in Des Moines with friends.

Mable Rodgers was a Boone visitor, Sunday.

Where is the best hotel in Iowa and the cheapest place to have Fords repaired? Lucile Lang says, "Collins."

Billy McClure drove over to Ames Sunday.

Miss Stewart spent the week end at her home in Jefferson.

Miss Mills spent the week end at her home on account of the illness of her mother.

Donald Beam and a few other Ames boys went swimming with Charlie Chaplin in Honolulu not long ago. Chaplin is there for a rest.

Girls! Don't forget the Y. W. Convention here. There will be about 250 girls to entertain and let's make them remember Ames.

We hear that the first year German Classes have at last learned the short poem that they spent so many weary hours over, but what did the poem mean?

Rose Gore and Edna Worth spent Saturday night in Nevada.

Stranger:—Have you seen anyone around here with one leg, named Jones?

Sophomore—What's the other leg's name?

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! BASKET BALL !

Every fellow who wishes to take part in the class basket ball series report Thursday, November 15, after school. Lets have each class well represented and make the class series worth while. The football season has ended and now lets have a lively season of basket ball as we did of football.

Why didn't Waldo McDowell move his trunk Sunday, November 4th?

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"I see that they are now manufacturing asbestos shingles which will not burn," said the teacher.

"Well, I don't know about their not burning," said the boy reflectively. "I guess it will depend on how they are used."—L. H. J.

Miss Mills: "Name Shakespeare's last three plays."

Edward Judge: "Cymbeline, Winters Tale and Robinson Crusoe."

ASSEMBLIES

We have had excellent assemblies during the month of October. On the 17th, the Seniors showed themselves to be royal entertainers. Mrs. Campbell of the college spoke, Oct. 24th, on the "Conservation of Food." The subject of "Personal Hygiene" in our next assembly was given by Dr. Proctor. Today the Juniors will endeavor to rival the Seniors and we may expect a lively program. At our next assembly a special music program will be given under the direction of Mr. Pollard. We may rest assured that this program will compare well with the rest.

Miss Coskery—Should you have thought of putting it the way Coleridge did?

Marian Smith—No, it takes somebody with brains to do that.

Harold Gilbert (in ag. class) "If one would feed an animal Distillers Dried Grain would he get drunk?"

Prof. Gibson: "There's no danger, though you might try a little."

"You seem pretty proud since you gave twenty-five cents to the Red Cross fund." "Yassuh" replied Mr. Erastus Pirkley, "Talk about doin' youh bit! I jes done mah two bits."—L. H. J.

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CARNIVAL!

On account of unforeseen difficulties the date of the first annual Y. W. Y. M. carnival has been changed from the 5th of December to the 20th. However this gives the promoters time to perfect the program. Several new numbers have been contracted. Among them are: "The Lang Sisters" in their vaudeville act that was the hit of the New York season. Beatrice Olson in the worlds greatest melodrama, "The Man That D'nd't Come back" has been secured at a large expense. The educational exhibit promises to be one of the most spectacular ever exhibited in the city of Ames. The exhibits have been coming in at a great rate and competition is lively for the blue ribbons.

If you cannot join the army, you will have a chance to "Shoot a pill at Kaiser Bill" anyway. This stand has replaced the Nigger Baby stand. The faculty show is one of the most unique performances that has ever been presented, and will be well worth your time and money to attend. The various classes will put on stunts and the Campfire Girl and Boy Scouts have programs. Negro minstrels brought directly from the Orpheum will be on hand to afford side-splitting amusement. A large circus has been chartered to give an entertainment on that evening with its clowns, animals, side shows etc. The art gallery department will present an unusually large collection. Various pictures and antique collections have been secured and will be exhibited at a normal price. Last but not least the booths for eats will be galore. No carnival is complete without the eats.

The management has generously decided to give all the proceeds of the carnival to the Army Y. M. C. A. work, so you see your money goes to a worthy cause. An admission of 10 cents will be charged at the door and the various booths and side shows will cost 5 or 10 cents. Everyone is cordially invited to attend. High School Students, Citizens of Ames, College Students, Everyone, the Army Y. M. C. A. needs your money so bring plenty.

LIVING PICTURES

"Splendid! I was very much pleased," said Supt. Hicks. I never saw such a spirit of co-operation and willingness to help. Everybody in all the schools helped to do whatever was asked of them."

One hundred, fifty-six dollars and thirty-two cents was taken in. Of this amount the public schools get one-half, but will have to pay out about twelve dollars in local expenses. This money will go to purchase pictures for the various schools in Ames.

The most popular pictures were the patriotic ones with "How to Salute the Flag" leading. Browns pictures of everyday childhood received enthusiastic applause. The other pictures also deserve much credit.

"The posing was ideal," says Prof. Hicks.

DECLAMATORY TRYOUTS

MONDAY AND TUESDAY

On Monday and Tuesday of next week the twenty-five or more declamatory contestants will meet in the tryouts for the home contest. A member of the college public speaking department is to be hired to judge these contests and the home contest January 16. Four persons will be chosen in the dramatic and humorous divisions and two in the oratorical. Miss Fickel has been putting in long days, and if the contestants have as much interest we'll be sure to have a winner.

The extemporaneous contest will take place sometime in January. Those trying out have found a big job on their hands but their interest is holding and no one is backing out.

Carroll has not yet come to terms with Ames as to which side we shall debate upon. Last year they had their choice and they seem to want it again. Leslie Gray is now on the team because Anna Lindauer decided that she could not carry the work. Everybody will agree that as soon as his delivery is improved he will be the best on the team.

We don't want to boast, but the members of these three teams intend to win honors for Ames High this year.

SENIOR TAFFY PULL

On Tuesday evening, November 27th, the Seniors had a taffy pull. As the slogan is "Less Sugar," the taffy was made of pure sorghum. Apples and pop corn balls also helped to make up the "eats." A jolly and "peppy" time was reported by all who attended.

HATS OFF

A. H. S. will soon be the proud possessor of a service flag with thirty-three stars in it. The seniors can justly be very proud with fourteen boys out of thirty-six in the service. The sophmores come next with seven, the juniors with five, the graduates of last year have three and the freshmen have two. We have thirty-three boys in the service and one-hundred and forty-five in high school. Let's make equal records in Red Cross work, knitting, thrift cards, Y. M. C. A. pledges and other work.

GIRLS! RED CROSS.

Every girl in A. H. S. stop and think before you make any other arrangements for Saturday afternoon and Monday evening—Why? Because thirty thousand dressings must be made before Christmas in order to fill our cities quota—thus making it necessary for two thousand one hundred and fifty dressings to be made every day. Your help is certainly needed.

LET'S KEEP UP THE PEP!

Though the days and nights are getting pretty frosty and chiseley, let's don't forget the Hi Y, the place of lots of pepper and fun. The Bible study books have come and with them some more pep.

Fellows who have been working every Saturday to save your dollars for that great fund, the Y. M. C. A. War Fund, "lest we forget," the first payment is to be made on January first.

The HiY stands for pep. It is made of pepper. There's a nice warm place for you there.

Talk about a circus—you will after the twentieth.

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EDITORIAL

Just because we are young, undeveloped boys and girls, and can't do much, is that any reason why we should "let George do it?" Some of the boys talk about enlisting as soon as they are old enough and some of the girls say that soldiers "are just the nicest things," and think they have proved themselves real patriots.

A REAL patriot does not waste food, because "food will win the war." At Camp Dodge, and probably in all military camps, the soldier who leaves anything eatable on his plate must place his name under his plate and finish what he leaves before he is served anything more. These men are not only sacrificing their lives, they are also sacrificing their appetites! There is only so much food in the United States, and every tiny bit that can be saved is sent to our soldiers in France, our brave allies, or the starving women and children in France Roumania, Belgium, and God alone knows how many other places. When you start to put that stale crust of bread in the waste basket, just stop to think that is Belgium alone, every day enough women and children are dying of starvation to wipe out of existence a town the size of Ames, and put that crust in your mouth instead, so that at supper time you won't eat so much. Every time you save a crust a child's life somewhere is saved for one day, because your mother uses less flour, less flour has to be saved for use in the United States, and more can be sent to Europe. That may sound like an exaggeration, but while Hoover was working in Belgium, he said that "a crust of white bread every day will swing the balance of a child's life from starvation to adequate nourishment." From the first grade up, we can be FOOD soldiers.

Fuel and skilled labor are also necessary in "canning the Kaiser." Every time some of the "tough" peeps try to play tug of war with the paper towels, just so much fuel and labor and raw materials are wasted as went into the manufacture and handling of those towels. And, if their dads knew that "Archie" was helping to raise the scale of the next school tax, "Archie" would probably take a trip to the wood shed. Other things requiring fuel, labor and war materials are being wasted here in

high school by these thoughtless wasters. Wouldn't it be a good plan to daub a little yellow paint on them as a reminder that we want to help to "Kill Bill?"

The chances are that you are not the one who is doing these things, you probably either own a liberty bond, a thrift card or a Y. M. pledge, are doing Red Cross work, knitting, or some patriotic work like the boy scouts have done, but you probably know the bread waster, the paper waster or some other kind of a waster. Just gently but firmly impress upon them that they are doing treasonable acts, urge them to buy a thrift card instead of candy, show tickets and such things. Whisper in their ear that the Kaiser is a better bluffer than they are, can tell more lies, about what he is going to do than they can, and that the REAL patriot knows that "actions speak louder than words."

Hello Tom:

Well Tom this may surprise you slightly as I do not make it a habit of writing and then to do it is accomplished under supreme difficulties. The stories the old fogies of the Civil War tells are pretty much true. Did you ever try laying with your feet higher than your head and write a letter by candle light. Try it if you want to appreciate this bit.

I received two issues of the Spirit this evening and it just put me to thinking about the old school days and the bunch that had to stay at home. I read Don Sopers letter and from that I will say they are lucky guys. I don't want to be a crepe hanger but army life never appealed

to me like his vision of it. My letter will not be so interesting as the censor on this side says not.

Did it ever occur to you how a foreigner feels when he is dumped off at N. Y.? If it had entered your mind you have a fair impression of how we feel or rather felt. We are beginning to fall for the gibber now.

There is sure some beautiful scenery here. I wish that I could have seen this country before I studied history. It would have made it so much more interesting and impressive, and the old castles with the draw-bridges and towers are all here.

I see from the editorials in the Spirit that the students in A. H. S. are not hanging together any better this year than before. I can't see why either. From the stories I can gather from the fellows in our evening talks it is not that way in other schools. In fact just the opposite, from their stories.

One of the grandest things that a school can have is "Class Spirit." I know what squadron spirit means. If it was not for it we would all die of homesickness. It is the only thing that makes life worth living while in the field.

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Well I must close now as my paper is running short, so is the candle. Candles are as scarce here as football enthusiasts are there.

So long,

ELMER.

P. S.—If this goes into the Spirit you had better leave out parts of it or they will think I am "loco."

CHRISTMAS EDITION

NEXT WEDNESDAY

A special Christmas edition of the Spirit will be out next Wednesday, containing the prize Christmas Stories and Editorials. The prizes will be printed. There will be a revised list of the soldier's addresses, and all recent changes should be reported at once to Tom Musson. A tentative Basketball schedule will appear and a plea for Red Cross workers besides a liberal dose of news and jokes. So come early and avoid the rush!

NEWS

You'll find a wonderful change in High School the Twentieth

The Social service committee of the High School Y. W. C. A. met Wednesday evening and a Christmas party was planned.

Miss Gerna Noid of Marshalltown spent the week end with Edith Wallis.

Are you blue? Come to the CARNIVAL.

Winifred Crabbs has been sick in the Base Hospital of Demming, New Mexico.

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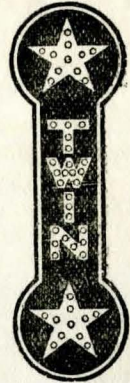
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Dan McCarthy, Edgar Jacobson and Lowell Mattox made their regular weekly trip to Nevada last Sunday.

Roy Dalby and Dorothy McCarroll attended the Living Picture Festival Friday afternoon.

Miss Niles entertained the High School teachers at her home Saturday evening.

Miss Coskery's seventh hour English class has challenged her 3rd hour class to a contest to be decided on four points; interest, effort, average class grade and conduct. A party given by the defeated is to be the reward of the winners. The 3rd hour class has accepted the challenge with enthusiasm.

Fern Grover was ill Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

Pearle Wanberg of Galva, Iowa visited Harriet Shleiter a few days last week.

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ATHLETIC NEWS

The basketball season has started off in fine shape and prospects are good for a successful season. A bunch of twenty-five fellows have been picked to try out for the varsity. Innes and Sauvain of last years squad are two promising men for the coming year. Scovel and Elliott, of the All High School Class team, look good for the varsity.

The tennis tournament was not finished on account of the weather. The only class which completed its rounds was the Seniors. Beach being the champion of that class.

Are you cold? You'll find a hot spot at the CARNIVAL.

SOPHS WALLOP JUNIORS.

Elliot's floor work, Thornburg's basket shooting and Scovel's guarding helped by Cornelliussen and Bennett won for the Sophs. Dalbey played the best game for the juniors in tossing baskets and Howell and Potter played good defensive games. Myers and Byrnes, the other two members of the junior team were on their toes every minute of the fast, scrappy game. The sophs piled up thirty-five points to the juniors' seventeen.

Only four girls reported at the college Red Cross rooms Saturday Girls! We must do better. 1500 sponges have to be made daily until Christmas. What if it is cold? We wouldn't think much of our army if our boys refused to fight on cold days.

Cry? You'll laugh till you cry at the CARNIVAL!

The past week has been a big one for the local scouts. On Tuesday of last week the scouts held their annual joint meeting. During the evening a worker from Des Moines spoke to the boys, giving them suggestions for the coming year. The local council was re-elected, and Mr. Schuller was re-elected commissioner.

Ask Majorie Nickels the rule for using the north and south stairs.

Miss Boyd spent the week end in Des Moines.

Helen and Hazel Nesbit spent Thanksgiving in Belle Plaine.

Next Thursday, the various committees will meet to outline the years work for the Y. W. C. A.

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Miss Gates went to Nevada Monday.

Jessie Bourland, Rozella Carberry, Romana Reins, and Mable Rodgers. Leona Nunamaker, Ruth Freeland. have received diplomas in typewriting for writing ten minutes with not more than five mistakes, at the rate of forty words a minute. The above record can be traced to the efficient teaching of Miss Boyd.

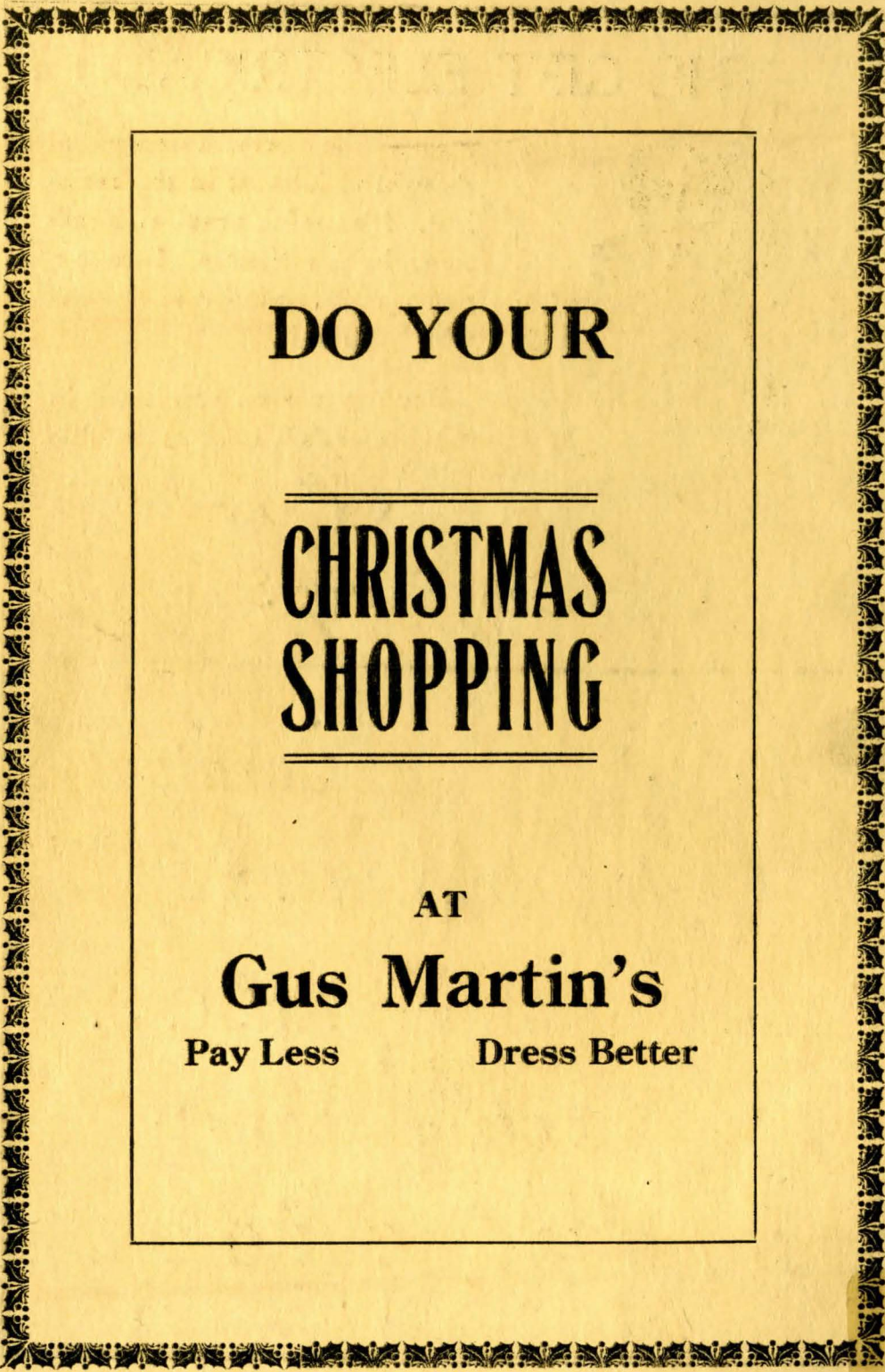
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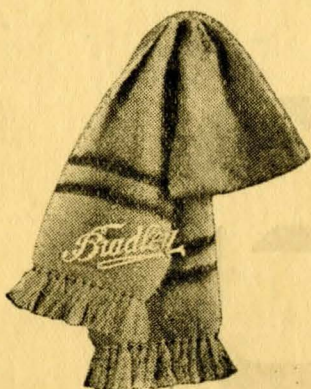
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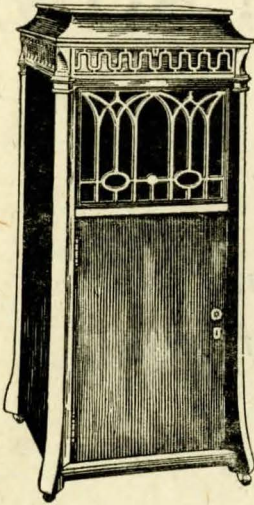
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FIRST PRIZE

CHRISTMAS GIVING

Christmas time this year should hold a different meaning for the people of the Ames High School than it has ever held before. The conditions that we now live under demand that we broaden our idea of Christmas from the giving of gifts to the few to the giving of happiness and good cheer to the many.

We find that the present war has made us question many of our ideals but it has also given to us ideals that are strengthened and made higher by our questioning. So at such a time when we begin to think of the meaning of Christmas, we should not feel that, as a body of high school students we are doing our bit if we disregard the plea for conservation and insist upon giving expensive and unneces-

sary gifts at Christmas time. However, it is not only our patriotic but also our Christmas duty to give not from a sense of necessity, but from the love of giving. We are not most truly giving our best, I think, if we can make others be of good cheer when they might otherwise be depressed by the war conditions. Try to express your true Christmas Spirit by your helpfulness and you will be doing your bit for your country in a way that none will fail to appreciate. Let us try to show that it is everyone's Christian and patriotic duty to preserve the right spirit this Christmas and make Christmas more than a meaningless holiday.

—Harriet Tilden

HONORABLE MENTION

COME ON A. H. S.!

There are over three hundred normal healthy students in A. H. S. Among us are those who will be known to the world thru fame, and we are proud of them. But what about the rest of us?

We all want the world to hear about us, don't we? Sure! RIGHT NOW is the time to begin, not to tell but to show what we can do.

There are a lot of A. H. S. students who are getting the very best out of every day, working hard, and making things hum, come on, let's join them!

The world was never so alive before, never so busy, never in such great need of US as NOW! The very worst part of it is, we are over looking this fact.

All the world, you might say, is expecting "Our Country," to be the power in winning this war. Not only that, but after it is won they will look to us again, to uphold the physical, mental and moral standard of living for the world. This

See the world's greatest melodrama, "The man that didn't come back."

will fall upon the younger generation, or, in other words, upon US, and we know what that means.

It means that because we are in school is not a sign that a share of America's great responsibility does not rest upon each of us. But it does mean that we must do our share, and remember it, there is not one of us but has a share

From one point of view our share is a heavier one, and a harder one than that of the surgeon, nurse, or other important personages. Why? Because they have such big things to do that they are inspired and pushed forward, encouraged by the very bigness of their duties;; while our tasks are the commonest the unpleasant ones, the every day ones, the ones it takes real grit, and a lasting determination to perform. So, we will just have to step in with a will and do those common tasks better than ever before.

If we can do no other thing to help win this war we can live from day to day in such a manner that Ames High School will be a vivid example of American ideals.

There never was a time before when we could say "I am an American" so proudly, or with such a real thrill.

A. H. S. ought not to stop at saying we are Americans but we ought to lead the schools in being Americans.

—Muriel Mackie.

If you hear a joke
That really makes you grin
Don't waste it on yourself
But write it down and hand it in.

"When did the revival of learning begin?"

Just before Exams."

RAVINGS OF A FRESHMAN

I know not why the sun does shine;
I know not why I call thee mine;
I know not why the birdies sing;
In fact! I don't know anything!
(Sad but true.)

Sergeant—"Where were you ever on picket duty?"

Recruit—"At home, Whenever they killed a chicken I had to PICK IT."

CHRISTMAS EVE IN THE TRENCHES

Christmas Eve in the trenches,
And all is dark and still,
For the Germans lying over there
Have one intent—to kill.

Christmas Eve in the trenches
Forgotten are hope and fear,
While the big guns are always sounding
Nearer and still more near.

Christmas Eve in the trenches
No thought of home nor God.
This is the grimmest of conflicts
For duty, not glory or laud.

Christmas Eve in the trenches,
The captain shouth "Advance!"
The men are hurrying o'er the top
To be met by shot or lance.

Christmas Eve in the trenches,
That regiment comes back,
They are the ones victorious
But the dead are piled in a stack.

Christmas Eve in the trenches,
And all is dark and still,
But the Germans lying over there
Have no intent to kill.

—Donald Huckle '20

DO YOUR BIT

Don't eat any peanuts, but save the shells for the munitions factories and the kernels for the army. *By NUT*

The German soldiers must be nuts, the French are shelling them.

Coach Thompson—"Did you take a shower?"

John Meyers—"No, is there one missing?"

Miss Thornburg—"Who can tell me which is the index finger?"

Freshie—"It's the one you tick when you turn over the pages!"

Senior—"I have such headaches I'm afraid I've got something in my head."

Prep—"Oh, now don't talk foolish."

Take a swat at Kaiser Bill at the Carnival



LITERARY

*FIRST PRIZE CHRISTMAS STORY***ARCHIE'S SANTA CLAUS**

The beautiful full moon, that Christmas eve, shown brightly down upon the sleeping world beneath, making the snow covered ground and house-tops glisten and sparkle like so many diamonds. It sent a silvery beam through the french windows of the nursery, across the richly carpeted floor, and lighted up the childish face of Archibibad D. Churchill, Jr., as he lay asleep in his little nursery bed.

Down stairs in the library the tall colonial clock, that had been in the family for almost two hundred years, struck the hour of one thirty in deep, rich tones. Archie stirred uneasily and opened his eyes with a sigh.

It was so very pleasant to lie there in the moon light and realize that out, there in the crisp, fresh air, Santa Claus with his olly elves and reindeer was hurrying on his way to make the whole world happy. He knew that there was a Santa Claus, and that the neighbor boy who had said that there was none, had lied to him. Some day he would see Santa Claus and then he could prove to the boy that there was a really truly one.

As he lay thus in thought he hears or thought he heard a noise very much like the soft splintering of glass or it might have been the sound made by the bells or Santa's sleigh. Naturally the bells, being fairy bells would not sound quite like ordinary ones. Any way he could investigate and see for himself what it was.

Softly he stole out of bed, through the upper halls, and down the stairs. In the lower hall he paused before the library door, then pushed it boldly open and entered the room.

The dying fire in the open fire-place sent showers of sparks up the broad chimney. By one of these sudden flashes of light, he saw as if by magic a giant Christmas tree appear in the darkened corner of the room. Its green boughs were draped with glistening rops of tinsel, which by the fire light appeared as spun gold. Bright colored stars, balls, and ornaments were winking and nodding at Archie from all parts of the tree. Silent and awed he stood gazing at this marvel.

Then he saw the Christmas presents at the foot of the tree and the over-flowing stocking hanging at the fireplace. With a tiny cry of delight, that could not possibly have been heard in the adjoining room, he rushed to examine the gifts. There was the sled, the gun, the paint box, the pair of skates, the tool box and the candy just as he had described them in his letter to Santa Claus, and then there were a lot of things that he had not even asked for.

As he sat before the dying fire among his newly acquired treasures he heard or fancied that he heard the soft ringing noise made by the striking of silver ware together, or again it might have been the ringing of the fairy bells or Santa's sleigh. Jumping to his feet he rushed to the curtained doorway leading into the dining room, perhaps he would not be too late to see Santa Claus if he hurried.

He pushed the curtains apart, to find the richly furnished dining room lighted by a tiny hand electric lamp. By its feeble glow Archie saw Santa Claus, his back toward him, bending over the open drawer of the buffet. To be sure the

man's clothing, resembled Santa's to a small degree. They were shabby and frayed. He also had a partly filled bag lying on the floor beside him, but instead of emptying it he was filling it.

However, Archie did not notice this and in his childish confidence he knew this to be the true Santa Claus.

"Oh Santa," he cried embracing the startled man, "How jolly of you to let me see you. I have always wanted to but never had the chance before. You don't look just as I thought you would, and your whiskers are black instead of white, but really I think you are just handsome as if they were white."

"Santa Claus—Santa Claus, why—," muttered the man, "Why it must be Christmas eve!"

"Why of course it is," said Archie. "Didn't you know that, Santa Claus?"

"Why," stammered the man, "I—, well you see I have been so busy tonight, a drive'n all over the world, that I kinda' forgot just what day it was."

"Oh, yes: I see," said Archie. "Of course you must be very tired. Won't you come in the library and sit in papa's big easy chair, and tell me all about the north pole, and the reindeer, and just everything?"

Somewhere back in the man's brain a long forgotten memory, a mere spark sprung into a flame, under the unconscious touch of this child. Some how Archie reminded this man of his own little boy, Jimmie, who was in an orphan home somewhere. What sort of a Christmas would Jim have? Would Santa Claus find his way to that lonely little boy.

Half pulling, half leading, Archie got the shame-faced man, into the library and in his father's chair before the fire. Archie sat upon the man's knee and the man told him all that he had ever heard about Santa Claus. As he sat thus telling these childish stories, he thought of his mother who had told these same stories to him when he was a boy and again he thought of his Jim and that poor boy's Christmas compared to Archie's.

"And it's all through my carelessness and wrong-doing that Jimmie is where he is," he said to himself. "It's my duty

the kind of a man, worthy to be Jim's dad. And what's more I'll do my duty to Jim—and myself."

Some where upstairs someone coughed and the man started to his feet. "I'll have to be going now," he said, "but say kid, there's a man and boy named Jim, that's more grateful to you than you will ever know."

At the window the man paused, "Merry Christmas to you, little kid, and—Good night." Then he opened the window, and was gone in the moon light. And so Archie went back to bed, all unconscious of the good he had done.

—Lowell Hauser.

HONORABLE MENTION

OUR BOYS OVER THERE.

A warm December sun streamed in through the high colored glass windows of a young lady's bedroom, on upper fifth Avenue, one morning a few days before Christmas. The sparkling red and green shafts of light on the white background of the room itself, made a very rainbow of color and life. A dark haired girl lay on her bed, cuddled to her ears in the great blankets, a red spot over her right eye, a green spot on her left cheek and a comical dark yellow light playing about her mouth. Being upable to withstand the tantalizing invitation of the world, to arise and live the day she opened one eye, then the other, and behold she was wide awake.

"Goody," she exclaimed looking out of the window before dressing. "It snowed last night, there is snow everywhere." A little canary in his cage on the wall sang his delight, and expressed the joy of his mistress.

"Dickie," the girl waved a finger at the singer.

"I don't care, I sound foolish, but I'm happy," Dickie answered not in very plain English, of course, but this did not count because Dickie was full of happiness.

"Gertrude," called a voice from the hallway.

"Yes mother, come in."

"You are awake, I thought surely that you were going to sleep all night and day."

Circus Day tomorrow! Bring all the kids

Don't forget the side-shows

"I thought so too, mother, but somehow the sun and Dickie just made me wake up."

"Mother," and Gertrude threw her arms around her mother's waist, "I must do my Christmas shopping, or at least begin, today."

"How much will you cut down on your expenditures this year?"

"Why must I cut down at all?"

"Oh, I thought perhaps you would like to send some little things to the poor in Europe, and to our soldiers over there."

"Well, I'll give them a little, but Mother there are so many of them and they are all perfect strangers to me."

"Your a stranger to them too, dear, but they are fighting your fight just the same."

"You heard that at a lecture the other night, didn't you?"

"Well your right, mother mine, but I just can't realize that part of it. I'll try to do as you wish though."

A hasty breakfast of fruit and cereal and Gertrude was ready for the fray. Dressed in a becoming corduroy walking suit, low heeled boots, a fox fur and turban of feathers, Gertrude looked the part of a very desirable Miss America as she sat behind the wheel of her Stutz Coupe.

Down town people, horses, automobiles, street cars hurried this way and that. Everyone was happy, faces smiled out from deep fur collars covered with snow—and some smiled though they had no collars at all. A fine light snow was falling. Already the side walks were covered. The Christmas tree and red holly berries told of the coming holidays and the snow gave proof that Santa Claus would come.

Gertrude stopped her car in front of a magnificent department store, one of the ones in which only the wealthy are to be found as patrons. A tall negro dressed in red, opened the door of the Coupe and helped her to alight. In the lobby of the building was a large hogshead, covered and draped in a silk flag—A sign at the side of the hogshead said—Help our Soldiers. Gertrude dropped a quarter in the barrel and walked on to do her shopping. She found some beautiful linen which she bought for her mother—but

Dad, what would she buy for him? On well, men are always satisfied with neckties and socks.

It was quite a walk to the Gent's furnishing department, but Gertrude was rather fond of her father so she made the trip.

She walked from one counter to another fingering the fantastically designed neckties noticing everything, concentrating her attention on nothing. Finally she found a tie that appealed to her and waited for the clerk to wait upon her.

"Is there anything else?" the clerk asked an elderly lady at the counter.

"Why yes," the lady answered, her voice was low, sweet and mellow. "I would like a dozen pair of heavy woolen socks."

The clerk hesitated for a moment, wondering if the lady meant what she said. A dozen pair of wool socks.

"They are for my son—he is "Over There," the lady explained reading the open expression of exclamation on the clerk's face. She said it so sweetly, without complaint. Gertrude was drawn to this heroic mother and suddenly was made to realize that after all they were not exactly strangers, her own dear mother was right.

"Was there something for you, Miss?" to take care of Jim, and it's my duty to be the clerk called anxiously as Gertrude walked away.

"No, I think not," and Gertrude smiled.

On her way to the street Gertrude stopped in the lobby long enough to supply the porter by dropping the remainder of her Christmas savings in the barrel—at home Gertrude's mother met her at the door.

"Why Gertrude," she exclaimed, "what have you in that large bundle?"

"Yarn mother, yards of it, yes miles of it, I am going to knit for the comfort of Our Boys Over There."

—Genevieve Lang

Fresh—"Why are you looking at my head?"

Soph—"I was wondering why we import ivory from Africa when we have so much raw material at home."

THE CHRISTMAS FAIRY

It was a still, cold, crisp, clear Christmas eve when small spirals of smoke from the chimney wound their way upward and the clear ring of sleigh bells echoed on the frosty, still, winter air, that the occupants of the little brown house in the hollow were less active than usual. Only a dull glimmer of light from the dim lamp reflected out on the snow from the window.

Mrs. Smith was not feeling very well and all the little Smith's were sitting around her while she was telling them of the Christ child who was born on Christmas eve and how the star of Bethlehem led the shepherds. She finished her story, gazed into the fire and soon fell asleep.

The next thing that broke the silence was little sobs from Cordelia the youngest. "Oh! mother, why won't we get any Christmas presents? Don't Santa Claus like poor children."

"Sh! be still! mother has gone to sleep. Let's be thankful for—"

A creaking noise was heard. The door slowly opened and in stepped a beautiful little, spangled winged fairy, "Come with me and be happy." She waved her wand. In a twinkling of an eye the room was transformed into a beautiful woodland. "This is fairy-land," the fairy explained.

A little brownie with a gray beard came up to Jackie saying, "I represent the kindness you've shown to your little sister."

Another brownie turning hand springs came running toward Cecilia, "I stand for the helpfulness to your mother," said he as he caught hold of Cecilia's arm and followed the fairy. Then came Roly Pol leading Cordelia and Bearded Brownie leading Jackie.

The fairy led them toward a mill. She waved her wand and a big door opened. "Just follow me." They went through a long hall that was all dark save for small lamps cover so often on the wall that gave out their tiny light but only made the shadows darker in contrast. They went on and on. Soon they came to a turn which the children thought surely must hide the end, but no, as they turned all they saw in front was the narrow hall. But finally it came to an end.

A small door was seen which looked very interesting to curious people. "Creep through and be still. We'll surprise them."

Jackie nudged Cecilia, "Who are these people we are going to surprise?" Be still, and we shall see," was the answer from Cecilia. They came into a small beautiful furnished room. "This is the waiting room. Make yourself comfortable while I go and relate the news." In a second she had slipped through the door.

"I wonder whom we are surprising?" Jackie asked again. "I wonder too," answered Cecilia curiously. The brownies just looked at each other with broad smiles on their faces.

"He is ready to see you." It was the voice of the fairy who had returned. They followed her as she opened the door and they shyly wandered into a place where Christmas trees, that were already decorated grew. A rosy, fat, jolly, old man in red was busily packing a sack and there were many little brownies. These were called Santa's helpers. There was sparkling snow scattered lightly over everything and shinning tinsel draped gracefully from one tree to another. There were toys, toys everywhere and more being made by these queer little men. "Well, have you seen everything? Maybe your mother will miss you if you don't get back soon," the fairy said thoughtfully.

"Yes, we are ready," Cecilia answered.

"Well, goodbye Santa Claus, goodbye Brownies." The children were gone.

"Well, well mother is still sleeping. She has not missed us at all," Jackie said as he patted her cheek.

"Let's slip quietly to bed," was Cordelia's suggestion.

"I've had a better Christmas than ever before," Cecilia remarked as they all were tucked in under the worm quilts.

"So have I, and so have I," was the faint murmur from Jackie and Cordelia as their weary eyes closed and they passed into the land of sleep.

—Marie Raynes

For Sale—A Jersey Cow—Gives a good quality of milk, also hay, rope pulleys, and a small refrigerator.

A CHRISTMAS CAROL

The Christmas bells are ringing,
The merriest of the year
And to me a tale are telling
That one I love to hear.

How our kind, loving, Savior
Was born upon this day,
In a little town of Bethlehem
Far, far, away.

Born in a loly manger
While one bright star shone o'er,
And led the three old wisemen
Up to the stable door.

They gave to Him their blessings
And countless precious things,
Because He was our Savior
Jesus Christ, the King of Kings.

—Ardella Pike.

"CHEESE"

"Randolph! Randolph Harvey, you come right home."

That was Spud's ma callin'. She calls him Randolph when she's cross. She thinks that's a name but isn't. That's a word the kids say to Spud to make him fight. He was fightin' when his ma yelled at him. It wasn't about the word tho, he was fightin' to see who would have to sit up and see if there is any Santa Claus. But of course his ma had to butt in. Women always spoil all the fun dogs and boys have.

"The idea of you fighting on the day before Christmas," scolded Spud's ma, "I doubt if Santa Claus will bring you anything but a bundle of switches."

She wasn't very cross tho. Nobody is at Christmas time, if they ever are you know it's 'cause you most found a present. They feed us dogs things they'd never think of at other times. Spud wasn't scared about switches either, he said his ma always told him that. She thinks he'll wash behind the ears and not fight if she does.

After supper Spud didn't put me out doors like he usually does. He put me on the back stairs to wait for him. Then he went and got a cold potato and a piece of cheese and we went to bed and ate 'em.

When everyone was asleep we went and got some more to eat and crawled under the sofa to wait for Santa Claus. We didn't go to sleep, but some way we sort of didn't think much. Next thing we knew we heard the window close with a bang, and someone was in the next room!

Spud crawled out and I followed him.

"Are you Santa Claus?" he asked facing the man bravely.

The man jumped, looked suprised, and then grinned and said, "No—not exactly but I'm his brother and he sent me here to leave your presents."

"Oh," said Spud, "Do you live at the north pole too?"

"Who's there," called Spud's pa from up stairs.

"Guess I'll go while goin's good," announced the man.

"Oh aren't you going to leave any presents," Spud cried, "Cheese make him stay."

Now Spud never cries unless its somethin' real serious. But his lip trembled and his eyes filled with tears. The man was just about to go through the window. But he didn't make it. I grabbed his ankle and hung on.

I'm not a very big dog but when he came in, the window fell on his ankle, so it hurt when I grabbed him. I was wondering how long I could hold him when I heard a sharp report and felt myself falling, falling and all was dark.

The next thing I knew I was laying on the sofa and the doctor was bending over me. I tried to get up but I fell back and closed my eyes. Someone said the man had shot me.

"He'll pull through," said the doctor, "Poor little fellow. Brave little doggy to catch the man that the police everywhere were hunting for."

"Do you suppose he knew who the man was?" asked Spud's ma.

"Well—now he might. Dogs know a lot more than we think they do," said Spud's pa.

Now I'm layin' on the sofa again and Spud is feeding me cheese and showing me his presents. I guess they made Santa Claus give him some. There's a bunch of kids lookin' at me through the window. I

bet they envy Spud. Well now I'm not
such a bad dog if I do say it.

—Harriett Schleiter '29

BALLAD OF THE SOPH. WHO DIDN'T DO OUTSIDE READING

The Sophmores are a jolly lot
And like to have some fun.
They have to read outside the class
But don't always get it done.

One day as fortune willed it so
A Sophmore in his sorrow
At having "flunked" a History test
Said, "I'll read on the morrow."

Miss Coskery said, "You are Sophmores,
And should have your reading done,
Today on 'Two Cities,' we report
And you must all failures shun."

Unhappy Sophmore! What should he do?
He did not want to fail
So he tried to hide behind his desk,
But was stold to write the tale.

"Please, teacher, I haven't read it yet,"
But his pleadings were in vain.
"Then you may go to the study-hall
And after school remain."

A bitter lesson the Sophmore learned,
And hereafter he will not shirk,
When Miss Coskery gives outside reading,
He will certainly do the work.

—Ruth Johnson '20

A TENDERFOOT IN CAMP

It may be that some of you people have
never experienced having a tenderfoot in
camp. If you have you know that at times
you feel sorry for him, but other times
you have to laugh at the amusing things
he does and says.

There was a family in camp which had
two boys and one little girl, and also that
great possession, a grandmother, who had
come to visit them. One of the boys was
a good sportsman, as you might call it,
even if he never did catch any fish when
he went fishing, but because he had good
sporting blood in him (as you will see.)

One day he had been out on the lake
for about an hour. When he came back,

he went up to his grandmother and said,
"Oh, grandma! won't you come out and
go fishing with me? I can't catch any-
thing." Why of course I will," she said.

I guess the grandmother didn't like
this "Too Close to Nature" life. She had
told me she found a great big green worm
on her pillow when she was making her
bed. And how she did hate these little
green frogs jumping around every place
she went."

She finally got ready, and Bobby and
grandma started, but as she went she
said that she knew they would
not catch anything, but that she would go
to amuse Bobby.

When they started we were all down at
the wharf to see them off. I stayed close
to the beach to catch frogs as I thought I
might go fishing after they came in. After
a time when I glanced up to see whether I
could catch a glimpse of them, I saw the
boat coming through the reeds and Bobby
was rowing for all he was worth. The
grandmother sat in the rear of the boat
all smiles. She could hardly wait till she
got ashore to tell what had happened.

"Oh," she said, "We have really caught
a fish! And its a MUSKY!"

Muskies are very fine eating and very
gamey to catch.

Of course every one was down by the
wharf by now. Bobbie was so excited, but
had not had a chance to say anything as
yet. He held up the fish so we could see
yet. I can shut my eyes now and picture
that poor fish. I don't think they ever
would have lost that fish if they had had
to row around the lake. In the first place
every hook that was in the bait was in the
fish and they had taken the line and
wound it around the fish's mouth. The
fish did not have a very fair chance in the
first place, judging from their description
of the way in which they caught it. Bobby
had tried casting till the grandmother
could stand it no longer and then she took
the pole and told Bobbie that they would
try trolling. She had hardly put the line
out when the fish bit at it. She reeled
it in just as fast as she could, threw the
fish into the boat and wound the line
around its mouth. It was a laughable

Eat! Eat! Eat! Yum-yum!

At the Carnival

sight to behold—that harmless fish wound and bound in such a fashion, lying there helpless on the sandy beach. They finally got the line off and were going to dress the fish when the grandmother asked if you should pour hot water over the fish before dressing it. We asked why. She said, "Why, so as to get the scales off just as you would to get feathers off a chicken."

What won't some tenderfeet do any say when it comes to camping.

—Ethelyn Colburn '21.

A wee tiny boy in a soldier suit,
Just as tiny as tiny can be,
A little girl in a nurses gown,
Are playing war by the sea.

The wee boy is injured, she raps him tight,
With the twine that is yards and yards long
Not hearing his cry from pain and fear,
But raps, not knowing her wrong.

A wee tiny voice then shouts so loud,
I ain't goin' to play no more,
Yu' ain't a good nurse, at all, and besides,
Yu, don't know how to play war.

Yu've hurted my legs and bruised my head,
And now you've made me sore,
So just go home, I ain't goin' to fight
For Uncle Sam no more.

—Lucille Lang.

THE BALLAD OF THE POPCORN MAN

A popcorn man lived in our town;
He came there in the fall,
With sad and pensive countenance,
Enveloped in a shawl.

"Now why this shawl, O popcorn man!
Now why this shawl," quoth I.
"'Tis camouflage," he slyly said,
"I am a German spy."

"I'll have a mission to perform,
As all will some day learn:
I have a mission to perform,
Which in my soul doth burn."

"And while I turn my popper here,

Producing toothsome corn,
Within my brain a plot doth turn—
'Tis popping into form."

But as he spoke a cop came up;
He tore away the shawl,
And when he saw a German spy,
Said, "this won't do at all."

"Just come with me—hop willingly,
'Tis but my club that mars."
And now our popcorn man is safe
Behind the iron bars.

—Sam Battell.

WAR SAVING CAMPAIGN IN IOWA

High School students all over the state of Iowa and the United States are responding to the call of the government to invest a portion of their earnings in War Saving Stamps and U. S. Government Thrift Stamps.

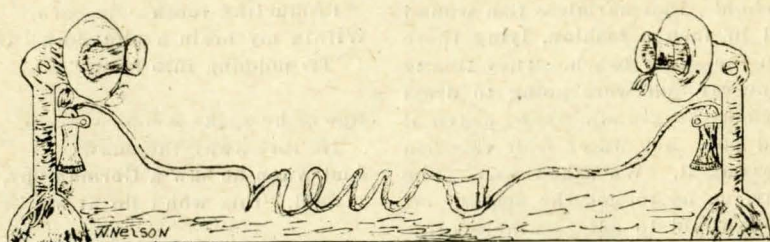
For the convenience of investors a "Thrift Card" is furnished all purchasers of 25 cent stamps. This card has space for sixteen stamps. When all the spaces are filled the Thrift Card may be exchanged for a \$5.00 stamp at postoffices, banks or other authorized agencies by adding a few cents in cash.

Those who prefer may buy a \$5.00 stamp, it is attached to an engraved folder known as a "War Savings Certificate" which bears the name of the purchaser. This certificate contains twenty spaces. If these are filled with \$5.00 stamps by Jan. 31, 1918, the cost of the purchaser will be \$82.40, and on Jan. 1, 1923, the government will pay the owner of the Certificate \$100.44 a profit of \$17.60.

You can obtain the cash and interest on a certificate or war saving stamp at any time by giving ten days written notice to any postoffice.

The main reason why you should purchase war saving stamps is because your country is at war and every penny which every man, woman, and child can save and lend the government is needed to help win the war. A country worth fighting for is a country worth saving for. War savers are life savers.

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ANOTHER HIGH SCHOOL BOY GOES INTO ARMY

Eldred "Shorty" Heffern left two weeks ago last Monday for Omaha where he intended to join the Aviation Signal Corps. He expected to be placed at Fort Logan, but his chum and room-mate, King Jarvis has not yet heard from him. Shorty's home is in Asbun, Illinois, but we can claim him as a high school boy because he made so many friends among the boys during his two months work here. "Old Bill" may never know that another Ames boy has enlisted, but every time an Ames boy enlists, "Old Bill" has got just that much more to face.

Y. M. C. A.'s CHRISTMAS

This is a year for men both great and small to do their bit. One half year of the work of the A. H. S. Hi Y is nearing an end, and it certainly has been a big half year for this organization, but there are yet big things to do before the end. Do you know that nothing ever gets perfect though it be ever so fine so it is for the Hi Y to keep plugging and prove a big thing. That we need more fellows to help to put things across which are yet to be done has been said before. We will be glad to shake the hand of any fellow who will extend his and be ready to make friends. That is what the Hi Y means "Friendship" in every sense of the work.

Any organization would not be normal unless it thought of Christmas time. The Hi Y has planned this year to think of home fellows which are in France and send them some kind of a token, besides contributing to the War fund. You can see, fellows, that it is a organization which is worthy of its cause and one which means something to have your name on the membership book.

LIVE ASSEMBLIES PROMISED

The Sophomore class will have charge of the assembly today and they claim that if you don't like their program, it is because you are a German sympathizer. It is to be a distinctly patriotic program with special emphasis placed on the boys who are away, and raising pep for the patriotic carnival tomorrow. A feature of the program will be the presentation of our new service flag we are going to be so proud of. Some popular songs with new words will be sung, and you will be thrilled by a dramatic spectacle based on "Somewhere in France is a Lily." Unless you want to be classed as a slacker you must clap long and loud.

Friday the Freshmen and Sopmores will give the Christmas program. We fear that some preps would be self conscious if we printed a list of the performers, and we don't know the order, but here is what we do know: Someone will give a piano solo, there will be two original Christmas stories, a violin duet, an article on "The Origion of Christmas Carols," talks on "War Time Christmas," "Y. M. C. A. Christmas Work" and "A Story of Last Christmas in Paris," a vocal solo by a boy, and a Christmas play, "A Christmas Dinner on the Wing." This program ought to put us in a mood for a rousing good Christmas vacation.

HIGH SCHOOL BOY MAKES GENEROUS GIFT TO RED CROSS

Marion Spring gave half of the proceeds from the sale of his poney at the Red Cross auction last Saturday. This example is a worthy one to follow, that is the spirit of sharing equally with these funds for the benefits of the boys who have to fight for us.

Yo-ho Skiny! Run like everything! I'm goin' to the Carnival.

Y. W. C. A.

Girls! We have been slow about getting started with our Y. W. but now we ought to get along nicely. That is if you are willing to help. Of course you are willing but its rather hard to know just what to do isn't it? It seems sort of indefinite, so let's have a little heart to heart talk here through the "Spirit." It's very hard to talk personally about things that you feel—way down deep—so let's have the "Spirit" for a mediator. First of all let us decide what we joined the Y. W. for. We are to be real frank now, say just what we feel. It was because of the purpose wasn't it? Democracy and friendship. We don't any of us want to be branded a "snob." We really and truly want to be friendly. Anyway the very last thing we want to do is to hurt someone with our snobbishness. Do you know there are very few real snobs in the world? Many people have a "snobbish" crust, that's all. They are naturally cold, and unapproachable or perhaps just a little timid but just make a break some day and get through their crust. You will be ashamed that you thought them snobbish. So don't stand around, staring at people and wondering if they are snobbish—if you do you'll be a snob yourself. Be a C. B., a Crust Breaker, and the first thing you know your own crust will be broken. You will find out that there aren't many snobs and those who are really don't want to be, they just don't know about crusts.

There's another thing too about the purpose of our Y. W. and its hard to talk about so we don't say much about it to each other do we? But we can talk about it now a little. It's that part about being closer followers of Jesus Christ. We couldn't ever get very far if we didn't think of that once in a while. Maybe that's just why some of us don't get far. We sort of get off the track and forget how to get back on, or, maybe we think we will get along just as well as on a different track. Some people say that's why we are in the war, because the world in general has gotten off the track. Let us do all in our small power to help it get back on.

BOOST FOR THE CARNIVAL

Make your Army Y. M. and Y. W. contribution through the Carnival

FIRE!

'Twas night and all was silent
On this December eve,
The town lay peacefully slumbering
And none had cause to grieve.

Suddenly the silence was broken
By a whistle sharp and shrill,
The people flew from their beds
And went dashing up the hill.

Another blast resounded,
Spreading terror and alarm.
The firemen were on the spot
That nothing might come to harm.

Again the whistle resounded
Again, again, and again
Keeping all from slumber
In it's awful cry for men.

The morning dawned both clear and
bright,
The fire still slowly burned,
We came to school as usual,
Tho' very much concerned.

P. S. and somewhat sleepy.

—EW and D. B.

RED CROSS

In doing our bit in this war it is absolutely necessary that each girl should assume a definite responsibility. A true patriot will not hesitate to sacrifice even her greatest joy. She will never let a chilly breeze keep her away from the Red Cross rooms for she fully realizes that our boys are fighting in the most severe weather.

So girls—all those who wish to be really truly patriots—come to the Red Cross rooms every Saturday afternoon and make as many surgical dressings as you possibly can. Then go again Monday night and double that number. You can do it—we are confident, and remember that last Monday fourteen girls made over a thousand sponges in about two hours. Just stop and think how many we can make if all the girls in A. H. S. will come next time.

"Did you ever hear a mosquito weep?"

"No, but I've heard a moth bawl."

CARNIVAL

Tomorrow will be a gala day for the Ames High School. The Y. W.—Y. M., carnival is due to come off. The managers have secured excellent vaudeville shows directly from the Orpheum in Des Moines.

The various classes under skilled directors will present undoubtedly superb entertainment. The educational exhibit has many entrants and the competition has been especially keen for the blue ribbons. The art gallery is one of the most stupendous attractions ever seen in the city. Pictures, statues, pottery, relics and many curious things are on exhibition, and in seeing them one derives as much practical knowledge as four years in college gives. The "Faculty Show," a rip roaring side splitting comedy presenting all star cast will make its first appearance before an Ames audience.

The "Lang Sisters" and the world's greatest melodramatist, Beatrice Olson have been secured for that night only, don't miss them. Synor Pollardon will furnish music for the festival.

Don't forget Thursday, December 20th. All proceeds go to the army Y. M. C. A. Ten cents at the door and five or ten for each show. Bring money, lots of it. The Army "Y." needs it. Students and the public in general be sure to attend.

Y. W. SOCIAL MEETING

Our next Y. W. meeting will be Friday night at 7:30. It is entirely social. Just a gay get-together, a last Merry Christmas before vacation. Come prepared to tell your funniest story, and win the prize.

We want to practice a few Christmas songs too. On Christmas eve we are going to sing for all those who put a candle in their window. It will probably be too cold to stay out long, so we will just make it a progressive party, staying not more than a half an hour with one girl, then go to some other girl's home, singing on the way.

"My face is my fortune,"

"Well its no sin to be poor."

BASKETBALL ROOTERS

When the interscholastic games start lets be backers and show the team we are behind them whether we loose or win. Let's have a royal bunch out to each game and be there with the pep. More will be known about the varsity lineup after the class series. It will be written up for the following Spirit so you will know who are playing and be ready to root for your team.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Monday, December 24th, the Social Service committee of the Y. W. planned a party in the High School "gym." One hundred and five children and their mothers have been invited. There are just hosts of happy surprises and if everyone there doesn't have the time of his life it will be a strange thing.

WAR WORK FUND

Thursday night, December 13th, there was a mass meeting of the H. S. girls for the purpose of asking them to donate at least one dollar for Y. W. C. A. war work. When the boys had a similar meeting, 61 per cent of them pledged to pay \$10.00 each. Girls! If 61 per cent of our boys pay \$10.00 each, shouldn't 100 per cent of the girls manage to give \$1.00 each. Just one tenth of what the boys are giving. Save the pennies!

A box has been left in Mr. Steffy's office for the money, so you go and slip your dollar or dollars in!

HEY! HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS!

An indoor picnic! Doesn't it sound jolly. Well it will be "jollier." The soldiers in the hospitals need cheering up. There's nothing as good for a sick man as a laugh. So all the High School girls are invited to an indoor picnic at the Library, December 31, to help make scrap books for the soldiers. We are planning a lot of fun along with it so hand your name to Majorie Nickels or Ina Reins if you intend to go. Don't miss out on the good time.

HAVE YOU JOINED THE RED CROSS?

You'll never quit laughing at the Carnival.

NEWS!

The Camp Fire Girls held a business meeting last Friday night.

A number of our High School girls are going to help in the Bazaar at the Methodist Church next Saturday.

Florence Godard played a cello solo at a banquet at Margaret Hall Wednesday night.

The Red Cross knitting room is open from 2:00 until 5:00. All girls wanting yarn are requested to go during those hours.

It may have been cold Monday night, at least only fourteen H. S. girls braved the weather to go to the Red Cross work room. But have you heard what these fourteen did? Made 1041 gauze sponges! a record breaker sure!

Just a hint—There is going to be a Dramatic Club! Won't it be great?

Harold Seymour has just gotten out of the hospital at Camp Cody, and is doing light duty now.

Mr. Pollard entertained the members of the orchestra, which played at the Living Picture Festival, at the Harris home, Monday evening. Music was furnished by several members of the orchestra. Light refreshments were served.

Alice McCarthy spent the week end in Nevada.

Be sure and see the stunts put on by the Camp Fire Girls. It's one of the free stunts and it's worth many times the admission fee. It is equal "ALMOST" to the much advertised Junior stunt.

The Ata Strawberry Shortcake knitting bunch met at the home of Georgina Kirkham Tuesday evening. Several squares were made for afgahns. Any girl who would like to make these squares see Georgina.

Why was Miss Fickle so peeved at Constance Knipe Wednesday?

Muriel Mackie taught Mr. Hick's Economics Class one day last week.

Grace Kimboll entertained about twenty girls at a stag party given at her home Friday evening, December 14th.

Ross Rutherford is seriously ill with pneumonia at Camp Cody, New Mexico.

"THE PANTRY HOSPITAL"

"I'm feeling might tough today," declared the sirloin steak.

I wish I had a pint or so of something good to take.

"When I got stewed this morning," said the melancholy prune,

I landed in the cooler and they kept me there 'till noon."

"Oh, I've been full a lot of times," remarked the two quart cup.

"Me too," the catsup bottle said, But had to cough it up."

"Well I have been pickled for a year," the pigs foot cried with glee.

"I've grown so weak" the coffee said, "I fear I'm going to die."

"And I get stronger all the while," the onion made reply,

"My eyes are full of sand and dirt" the new potato said,

And then the cabbage kicked about a badly aching head.

"I'm sorry for the celery," remarked the Jelly tart,

It's badly bleached and withered, but it's rather good at heart."

"We're all as thin as shingles," said the shortcake to the pie,

"But what a lot of crust we leave," it answered in reply.

"I'm feeling mighty awful bad," the storage egg remarked.

"We're all shot full of holes ourselves," the doughnuts did declare,

And then the butter said it's life was hanging by a hair.

—M. C. '17.

Customer—You are sure those eggs are fresh?

Clerk—Couldn't say for sure ma'am. I've only worked here for three months.

"Have you any ties to match my eyes?"

Clerk—"No, but we have some soft hats to match your head!"

A clergyman who advertised for an organist received this reply:

I notice you have a vacancy for an organist and music teacher either lady or gentlemen. Having been both for several years I beg to apply for the position.

"Oh! Those funny Juniors! They make me laugh."

CORRESPONDENCE DEPARTMENT

REMEMER THAT CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

Thirty-three Ames boys that we all know are probably spending their first Christmas away from home. And they are not spending it at somebocy's home either, they are spending it in a rough army camp. Can't we all put a little of our Christmas cheer in a letter and send it to them? Surely this is very little to ask. All of the boys who have written directly to the Spirit have mentioned how hungry they were for home news. Maybe you weren't a special pal of theirs, write them a letter anyway, this war is making us all one big family.

Just imagine what you would want to hear if you were in their place and then write it. Don't always show partiality, send a Chrisamas letter to all the boys you know. DO IT NOW!

Rufus Hoon, Paul McNiell, Ricketts, Winifred Crabbs, Jay Elliot, Douglas Waitley, Don Soper:

1st M. C.

126 Field Artillery,

Camp Cody,

Deming, N. Mex.

Corp. McKinley, Steigerwalt, George Dunlap, Bernice Posegate, Harold Seymour, John Taylor, Arthur Speers:

109th Trench Motor Batt.,

Camp Cody,

Deming, N. Mex.

Chas. Shockley, Paul Hammond, Warren Reinhart, Harold Loughran:

Company I,

168 U. S. Infantry,

Rainbow Division,

France.

Gifford Terry, Chas. Nowlin, Bob Sage, Art Balinger:

1st Company,

Ft. Winfield Scott,

San Francisco.

Private Orville Aplan,

Camp Funston,

Fort Riley,

Kansas.

Corp. Elmer C. Jones,

31st Aero Sqd.,

Fort Totten, Long Island.

Harvey Fitch,

Armed Guard Detail,

U. S. N. Training Station,

Norfolk, Va.

Floyd Mabie,

Company A.,

Iowa Engineers,

Camp Dodge.

Ted Nowlin,

Company C, Gunner's Mate School,

Main Camp U. S. Naval Station,

Great Lakes, Ill.

Louis E. Gray,

U. S. Naval Training Station,

Great Lakes, Ill.

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Ralph C. Lewis,

Fort Kamehameha,

3rd Co.,

H. T.

Vaughn Hunter,

Fort McDowell,

Angel Island.

Leonard Stenerson,

U. S. S. New York,

% P. M.,

New York City,

Radio Box E.

Eldred Heffern,

Aviation Signal Corps,

Fort Logan?

NEWS FROM HARVEY FITCH

He is now on the Merchantman "S. S. Orion," formerly the German ship (Prinz Oskar.) He writes "She is a pretty good sized ship about six hundred feet long, 3777 tons net, and has been across as a government vessel once, July 12-Oct. 8, from Philadelphia to Naples. We saw three subs, fired sixty rounds and now was crossed by a torpedo once."

He will be gone for two or three months. There are two wireless men on board, and he says "We have all the room in the world."

One thing which is hard on the men is, that they don't have any reading matter except that which they take along so they appreciate all school and local news:

Be a gossip. Tell everybody about OUR Carnival.

He received a card with an S. O. S. message on it, and here are some of the things he says S. O. S. stands for: "Soldier or Sailor," "Sunk our Skins," "State of Starvation," "Sunk our Ship," Sink or Swim," "Swim or Shiner," "Say something or Shutup."

"The shipping board presented every one of the Armed Guards with two suits of heavy wool calton lined underwear, one pair heavy mittens, two pair heavy socks, one pair wool lined rubber boots, one very heavy shirt with hood, and suit of water proof cloths, with hood. We are pretty well fixed for the sea."

He received a "Stewart" phonograph for Christmas and with this he and his wireless mates expect to pass some of the hours away. These are a few of the records they got: "The Rosary," "Bar carolle," "Indiana," "Snow Deer," a "Hawaiian Melody," and a "Nut Record."

The Captain's wife took the names of the boys and when they get across she is going to send a card to their folks, stating that the ship has arrived safely.

Dear Folks:

Have been having a lot of experience lately. The big one that I'll always remember happened Sunday. Thirty-six men were chosen from the two Companies here at DeRussy, as honorary guards at Queen Lil's funeral. The older men were chosen almost exclusively. There were just three recruits: One from the 2nd Co. and another fellow and I from this Co. We got up at 6 a. m. yesterday morning. Had two fried eggs for breakfast, the first we have had in seven months, as chickens are very scarce out here, and then took the car for the Royal cemetery. When we got there we were stationed in a circle around the Mausoleum containing the bodies of the rulers of Hawii for centuries back. We could see the shelves containing caskets, etc. The parade began to arrive about ten and the body of the Queen got there at noon, showing what a big parade it was. They had big barrel shaped things on poles which were a frame work to which feathers of thousands of birds are sewed. Big capes and vests worn by people in the parade are made of the same, and are very

old and valuable. An interesting scene was an empty carriage draped in black. It was supposed to be the royal mourners, but as all of the main line royalty are dead the carriage had to be empty. All the Hawaiian women who were allowed inside of the gate sat down and rolled a cigarette and smoked and moaned and wailed. The chief mourner made your ears ring with her cries. The costumes, capes, helmets and banners were wonderful. There surely were some beautiful sights.

The death carriage was drawn by about two hundred and fifty Hawaiian men dressed in bright capes. The rope was wrapped in black and white bunting. There were prime ministers, ambassadors, envoys, and many important men there.

I'm getting too sleepy to write any more, so must go to bed.

DONALD BEAM.

HUNKA TIN

(Parody on Kipling's Gunga Din)

You may talk about your voitures,
When your sitting round the quarters,
But when it comes to getting blasses in,
Take a little tip from me,
Let those heavy motors be,
Pin your faith to Henry F.'s old hunka Tin,
Give her essence and l'EAU,
Crank her up, and let her go,
You back firin' spark plug foul in,
Hunka Tin.

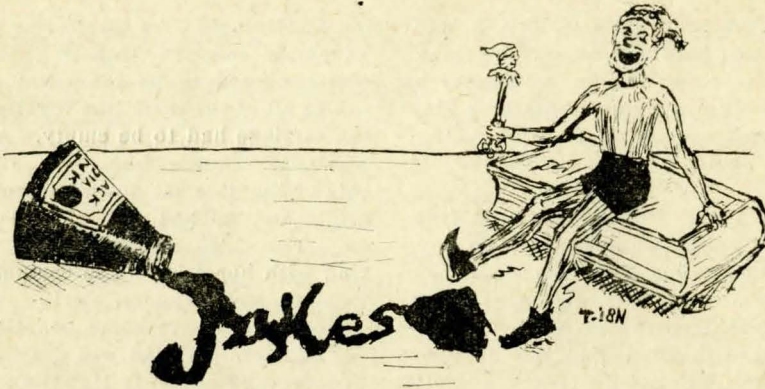
The paint is not so good,
And no doubt you'll find the hood
Will rattle like the boiler shop enroute.
The coolers sure to boil,
And perhaps she's leakin oil
Then often times the horn declines to
toot.

But when the night is black,
And there's blasses to take back,
And they hardly give you time to take a
smoke,

It's mighty good to feel
When you're sitting at the wheel
She'll be running when the bigger cars are
broke.

After all the wars are past,
And we're taken home at last,

Your troubles will vanish tomorrow night at the High School



To our reward of which the preacher sings,
When these Ukelele sharp,
Will be strumming golden harps,
And the aviators all have reg'lar wings
When the Kaiser is in hell
With the furnace drawing we!
Paying for his million different ~~sins~~ of
sin.

If they're running short of coal,
Show me how to reach the hole
And I'll cast a few loads down with
Hunka Tin.

Yes, Tin-Tin-Tin
You, exasperating puzzle Hunka Tin
I've abused you and I've flayed you,
But by Henry Ford who made you,
You are better than a Packard—

Hunka Tin.

(Written by a soldier in the American
Ambulance Service, published in the American
Field Service Bulletin in Paris.)

Miss Mills—"Roy, have you read any
of President Wilson's Address to Congress?"

Roy D.—"Yes."

Miss Miller—"How much?"

Roy—"The head lines."

Patron—"I don't see any soup on the
bill of fare?"

Waiter—"There was, sir, but I wiped it
off."

For the safety of all concerned it would
be wise to provide larger seat, at least
one for Naomi Fitch in American History.

(The boys were watching the girls dance

ing in the gym:

Miss Barnes. "Those boys surely seem
interested in us."

Dorothy McCarroll. "No Miss Barnes, it
isn't us its our suits."

Ivadel Elwood. "I had four bids to the
Theta Xi dance."

"Oh! what popularity."

Ivadel. "Well, I don't know, they didn't
any of them know me."

George—"Say did you see where my
ball went?"

Innocent Bystander—No; but I felt
where it landed."

Poor Caralyn Crosby. I hear she's had
a lot of trouble.

"Yes, poor dear." I understand there is
a scandal mixed in it." But have you
heard what Marion Smith has to say about
it yet?"

Widdy—"There is an awful rumbling in
my stomach—like a cart going over a
cobblestone pavement."

Lois—"It's probably that truck you ate
for dinner.—Ex.

Suitor—"Be mine! Be mine! Dorothy
preserve me!"

Dorothy—"I was just thinking of can-
ning you."—Ex.

Margaret—"Did you get the opera
score?"

Hodges—"Yes, they were tied in the last
minutes of play."—Ex.

Free! Prep's Stunt. Worth the money.

ATHLETICS

Basket Ball Season

The class series which were started last Thursday night, by the Sophmores walloping the Juniors by the tune of 35 to 17, showed that the Sophmores have the same pep as they did in football. Thompson says "The class series are going to be closer this year than ever before." The Sophmores and the Seniors will probably have to fight the deciding battles.

A double series will be played; in the first series, each team playing each other twice. Following the first game series will be a second team class series. The Preps look pretty good for the second class series because the men who were ineligible for first games will be allowed to play in the second class games.

Another interesting fact about the class games will be to note which class has the most representatives on the A. H. S. first squad. It is going to be a real fight for places.

Loyal supporters of A. H. S., it is time now to begin to save your nickels and pennies for the coming interscholastic games. A number of good games will be played on the home floor and it will be worth your twenty-five cents to see these games. The first will be Nevada on the home floor January the sixteenth and that game will be a good starter. All these games at home will be played in the High School gymnasium. Such schools as Nevada, Boone, Marshalltown, Toledo, Webster City, Indianola and Cedar Rapids will be included in the A. H. S. basketball schedule.

Twelve men will compose the varsity squad and seven men will make the trips. Coach Thompson hopes to get a game with Sioux City because it will be a good trip for the fellows besides playing with a large school, but no definite arrangements have been made.

"What are you knitting, my pretty maid?"

She purred, then dropped a stitch.

"A sock or sweater, sir," she said,

"And darned if I know which."

SENIORS SMOTHER PREPS BY A LOP-SIDED SCORE

Led by Sauvain who got twelve baskets the Seniors piled up a big score against the preps. Thompson and Meredith were the only Preps who showed any fight, though the other members of the team showed occasional flashes of pep, as when Brunner shot two baskets and Musson showed a flash of form in the second period when he got five baskets almost in succession. Meredith got one long basket, but was very weak on foul shooting. Watkins and Belknap played clean-cut games at guard for the Seniors; Gilbert played guard for the Preps and Noble played center in the first half. It was a good game and much more credit should go to the preps who were handicapped by the loss of their stars through ineligibility.

SOPHS BATTLE WITH PREPS!

Score 20-5

The Sophmores beat the Freshmen by a margin of fifteen points. Every point that was made by the winners was hard earned. Meredith's and Thompson's defensive work was a feature of the game. Vic Brunner, the midget forward for the Preps, was a game scrapper.

Elliott was the chief point gainer for the Sophs.

The game resembled a football game and the preps were there with the fight.

Line-up and Summary.

SOPHS	PREPS.
Schovel—L. G.	Clark—L. G.
Elliott—R. G.	Thompson—R. G.
Thornburg—C.	Meredith—C.
Bennett—L. F.	Brunner—L. F.
Cornelliussen—R. F.	Dalbey—R. F.

Gals

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Sophs:—Elliot 6; Bennet 2; Cornelliussen 1.

Preps:—Thompson 1.

Goals from Fouls:—Bennett 2; Meredith 2; Thompson 1.

Subs:—Colburn for Thornburg.

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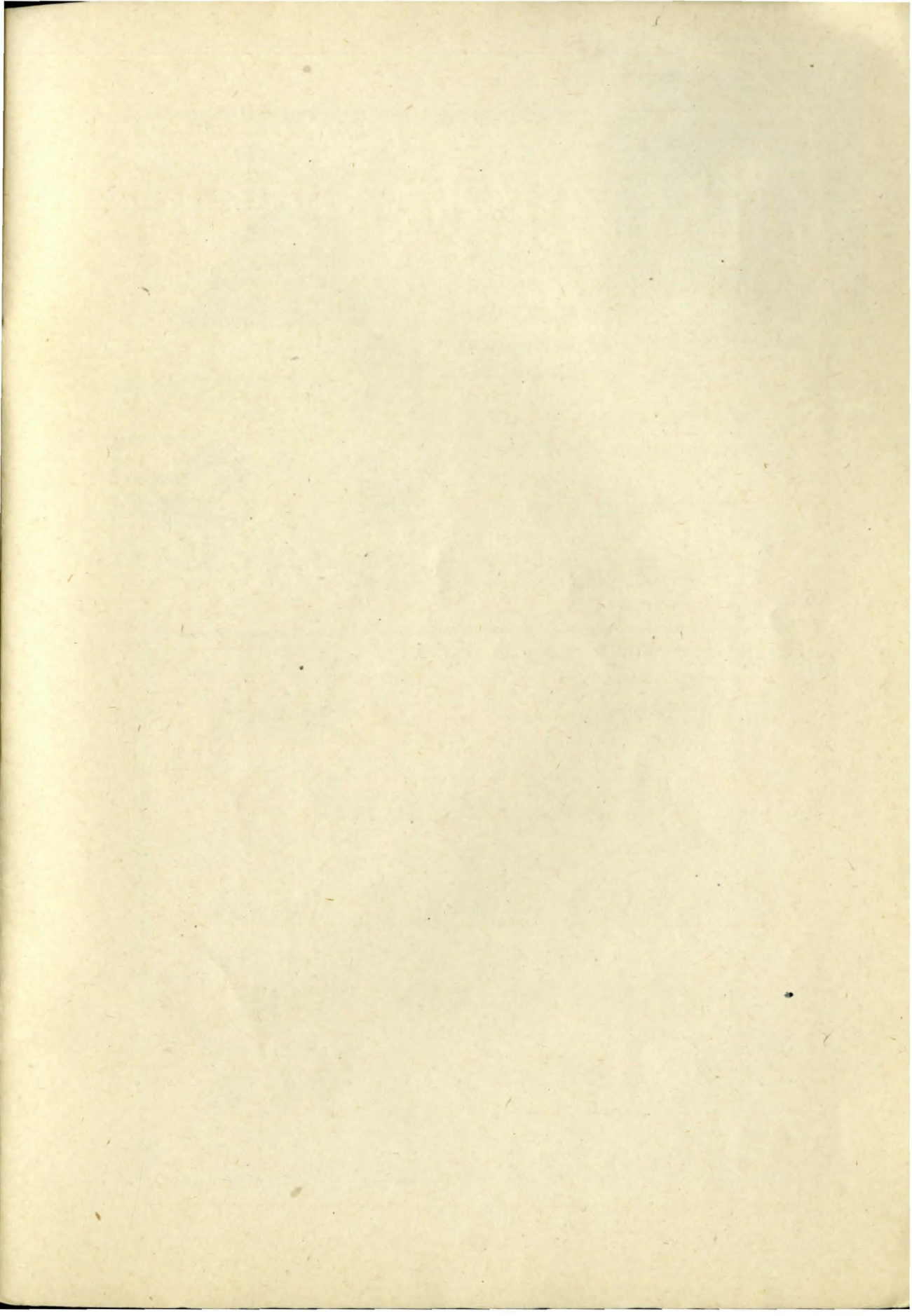
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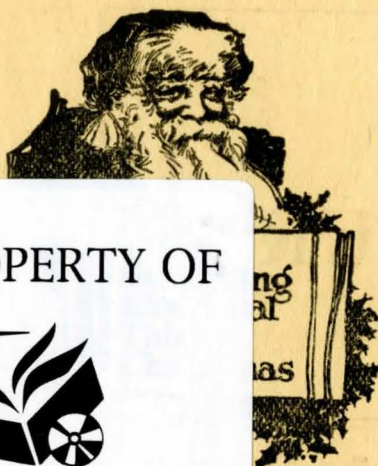


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A. H. S. ASSURED RED CROSS BANNER

According to the reports late Monday evening only one person in the whole high school was not a member of the Red Cross. A fund of seventeen dollars has been provided to purchase memberships for any student who could not afford to pay their dollar. This meant that A. H. S. will have another service banner "One hundred per cent Red Cross" sure looks good doesn't it.

A few people have not yet reported to Mr. Steffey, but he says that there is no possibility of more than five failing to subscribe, and the fund will take care of them.

Hoorah!

MORE STARS FOR SERVICE FLAG

The boys who went to the Mexican border a year ago last spring have not so far been included in the list of A. H. S. boys in the service, but they surely deserve all the praise we can possibly give them, and we deserve a star for each of them on our service flag. The incomplete list of these "veterans" appears below:

Cecil Hamm.
Sam Martin.
Earl Quade.
Clifford McCarthy.
Lawrence Murphy.

We want to have a complete list with ranks, addresses and news about these boys and the other boys for the next issue. The government has asked that no letters containing news of troop movements, equipment, etc., be published, so we will have to limit ourselves to little items of news, that the Huns can't use. (rhyme.)

"Shorty" Orville Aplan's complete address is Co. B, 340 Machine Gun Battery, Camp Funston, Kansas. "Shorty" Elder C. Heffern, is now doing clerical work in an army office. He says he likes the work, and that the men in the Signal Corps are far above the average. His address is Depot Co. "I" Signal Corps, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

A card has been received stating that Harvey Fitch has arrived safely at his destination across the pond.

Whether you are a soldier or just

a soldier's friend, will you please help us by keeping our address list up to date. We want to keep A. H. S. more than just a memory to those who left school to fight.

DECLAMATORY CONTEST TOMORROW

Tomorrow at two o'clock, the Home Declamatory Contest will be held in the Auditorium. Everybody who buys a ticket will be excused from their sixth and seventh period classes. High School turned out last year, let's live up to that record.

Eleven contestants have been working hard for a chance to go to Dayton, Iowa on March fifth to represent A. H. S. in the district contest. Those entered in the Oratorical class are: Loraine Caul, Ida Havjsen, and Ann Lindauer, in the Dramatic class, Fern Grover, Myrtle Hall, Francis Holm, and Lillie Roberson, in the Humorous class, Myrna Tripp, Ethlyrd Colburn, Vera Graves, Miss Coffin of the College Public Speaking Department will act as judge. The winner in each class will receive a five dollar gold piece awarded by the following Ames business men: Tilden Ctores company, The Fair Store, and Gus Martin.

These contestants were selected in the preliminary contest held in December and everyone of them has been working loyally. They deserve your support. Let's give them a push that will send the winner victorious to the state contest. BOOST!

WHO WILL WIN.

The next issue of the Spirit will be published by the class having the largest percentage of subscriptions at noon (twelve o'clock) next Wednesday. A special subscription price of thirty cents has been made for this contest. After the contest closes the price will be thirty-five cents. By subscribing now, you save thirty-three and a third per cent of the cost of each separate issue.

The winning class will be given free reign in this next issue. At present the class standings are: Seniors, 53 per cent subscribers, Juniors, 40 per cent; Sophomore 33 per cent; Freshmen 16 per cent.

AMES-BOONE GAME

The first inter-high school game of the season will be played Friday evening in the Gymn. Boone always has a good team and there's going to be a hard fight on the home floor. Athletics are expensive and we, a high school students must furnish the dough. A. H. S. citizens, we have got to back our team if we want to win.

Let's Root!

Two weeks from Friday Toledo is coming here. Let's pack the gym. Other teams coming to Ames are: Nevada, Marshalltown, and Webster City. Five big chances for you to show your pep.

DO YOU WANT THE TEAM TO WIN? "Actions speak louder than words."

SENIORS AND SOPHS.

The game was better from start to finish. The superior guarding of Scovel the Sohps. standing guard, stopped the Seniors scoring machine as no other guard has been able to do. Elliot and Bennett were chief point gainers for the Sophmores. At the end of the first half stood a tie. It was "Less" Sauvain, the Seniors plucky forward, that won the game for his class, because of his ability to shoot fouls. Musson's and Innes' team work with Belknap's guarding was a great help to the Seniors. The score at the end was 21-16.

Seniors		Sophmores	
Musson	R. F.	Cornelliuson	
Sauvain	L. F.	Bennett	
Inness	C.	Thornburg	
Belknap	L. G.	Elliott	
Watkins	R. G.	Scovel	

Field goals: Seniors; Innes 3, Sauvain 2, Musson 2. Sophs: Elliott 4, Bennett 3. Free throws: Seniors; Sauvain 6, Innes 1, Sophs: Elliott 2.

JUNIORS-FRESHMEN

Score 22-9.

The Juniors won by a large margin but the preps were game fighters. Burns lead in basket shooting for the Juniors and by Hess' and Howell's consistent guarding the preps were held to nine points. Ralph Dalbey lead the Preps in scoring and with the help of Meredith, Thompson, and

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EDITORIAL

Back-the-Team

The Basket Ball season is about to open. Let us turn over a new leaf and support the team. In years gone by Ames has had fine teams and fine support, but in the last four or five years, basket ball has ceased to cause much interest. We have been out of competition for about a year, and now while the fighting spirit is high, let us support the team this winter. All of the schools, half the size of Ames, have excellent support. in Dallas Center, for instance, a town of about 1000, the whole student body, citizens, and farmers for miles around attend every game. Altho' our gym is small, it can hold three or four times as many spectators as it now does. The boys who work for months trying to make a good showing for their school, deserve your support. If a player knows that his school mates are behind him, especially his lady friends, his efforts are doubled. Next Friday our first game is to be held Boone will oppose us that night and we have not beaten them for years and now is our chance. Everyone come Friday night, bring the girls and beat Boone!

NEWS FROM ORVILLE APLAND.

I belong to the Machine Gun Battalion, otherwise known as the "Suicide Club." I don't know why, as I haven't had enough experience, but I can guess.

Perhaps I was short when I was at Ames, but I am not any more. I can look down on about one half dozen. The first cook is 4 feet 10 inches, and a huge Dane is 4 feet 6 inches. The small fellows are called the "Peanuts" and we can put it all over the big fellows. We beat the other platoons in drill, football, basketball, and every thing except eating, although we aren't slackers at that either. Nearly everybody weighs at least 15 pounds more now than when they came down here. I am 20 pounds heavier.

I don't know anything else so I'll tell you about Christmas. When we heard that nobody could go home at Christmas time, Co. B, decided to have something special Christmas Eve. A collection brought \$134 and the committee spent it. We had a big feed of turkey with trimmings, fruit, oleomargarine and other luxur-

ies too numerous to mention. Besides that, we had free access to piles of fruit, candy, nuts, and the cider barrel all evening. After supper, we were entertained with a program. Besides comic and patriotic speeches and songs, we had a real honest INGIN War Dance, some expert roping and other stunts. We have some real educated Indians in our company. "A very enjoyable evening was spent by all." There were fireworks in the evening, but I didn't see them.

The same Appie Shortland.

Y. W. CHRISTMAS PARTY

Monday, Dec. 24th, the big party "happened." Seventy five children and their mothers met in the High school "Gym." You should have seen those children's eyes open when they saw the big green tree loaded with pink bulging bags, and blazing with candles. One little girl cried "cause there wouldn't be another one for a year."

Y. W. INDOOR PICNIC

Just as we planned, about fifty girls met at the Library Monday, Dec. 31, to make books for the soldiers. Everyone had a "gay" time, midst the clippings of jokes, funny stories, poems, and pictures. At noon we had lunch with hot chocolate and after that we pasted our slippings in clever little calico booklets. Some of us upon looking over the finished books really found ourselves crying the soldiers.

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NEWS.

Dorothy Beam spent the vacation in Laurenz.

Romana Reins entertained at a watch party New Year's eve.

A telegram from Harvy Fitch has been received that he has arrived safely at his destination.

Doris Wherry was in Des Moines last week.

There haven't been enough girls at Red Cross Saturday afternoons! Don't forget!

The girls who were at Red Cross 1st Monday say they had all sorts of fun. If you want a good time you had better come too.

A great deal of interest has been shown in the debates of the Junior English classes and some very peppy debates have been given.

During vacation a bunch of girls helped Mrs. Clyde Williams, doing clerical work for the Red Cross.

The Camp Fire girls gave a birthday surprise party for Ida Thomas last Saturday.

Marguerite Kirkham spent her vacation visiting in Des Moines, and Bayard.

Gilberta Luke was in Hampton and Des Moines last week.

Mable Rodgers, Dorothy Harriman and Alice McCarthy went to Des Moines to see "Little Women."

Tom Musson entertained six of his friends at his home Thursday evening, December 28th.

Mrs. Curtiss' Sunday School class of the Congregational Church entertained Mrs. Galen Tilden's class at the Farm House last Friday.

Theresa Judge spent the Christmas vacation in Chicago. Williamette Olson was out of school last week because of illness.

The Juniors are planning a party to be given soon!!!

Helen and Hazel Nesbit attended the Nevada-Belle Plaine basket ball game at Nevada last Friday.

Hazel Richter spent a week in Marshalltown during vacation.

Lin Stollard of Omaha, was in Ames to see Edith Wallis and Naomi Fitch.

Beatrice Olson was in Des Moines last week.

Donald Crooks, who has been very ill with pneumonia will return to school next Monday.

Roy Dalby is going to move to Des Moines the last of this week. To one or two H. S. girls he will be like the old saying: "Gone but not forgotten."

Verle Williams of Rochester, Minn. and Freda Park of Austin, Minn., entered school last week.

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Teachers! (especially Miss Miller) take notice: The rule in our High School is not to have Semester examinations.

Dorothy Harriman was ill Thursday and Friday, but is now as spry as ever.

The A. H. S. boys who are at Deming were in a REAL "movie" with William S. Hart a few weeks ago. The film will be shown here soon. Let us all go and see what great actors our boys have become.

JUNIORS-FRESHMEN

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Clark they were able to show the Juniors a merry time.

Juniors		Freshmen
Burns	R. F.	Brunner
Potter	L. F.	Ralph Dalbey
Meyers	C.	Meredith
Hess	L. G.	Thompson
Howell	R. G.	Clark

Field Goals: Juniors; Burns 4, Hess 2, Potter 2, Roy Dalbey 2, Freshmen: Ralph Dalbey 2, Meredith 1. Free throws: Juniors; Meyers 2, Freshmen; Ralph Dalbey 3, Sub: Juniors Roy Dalbey for Meyers.

FIRST GAME OF SECOND SERIES.

The Juniors were able to overcome the Freshmen as they did in the 1st series. Potter led the Juniors in scoring. Burns and Roy Dalbey were able to keep up the records of previous games by scoring four or five points apiece. Hess and Howell played a good defensive game. The Preps were there with the fight though they did get the little end of the score. Ralph Dalbey and "Vic" Brunner were able to get a basket apiece for the team. Thompson, Meredith and Clark were the Preps main defense. Score 16-4.

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The officers will be judged by their ability to conduct the program with the most ease and the order of their classes. The Secretary-treasurers will be judged by the accuracy and neatness of reports they send in.

In May, when the contest closes everyone who has not appeared on a program either semester, or taken part in any forum will receive a demerit which counts against the points won by his class. The speakers and debators are to be chosen by lot. An appropriate banner is to be hung in the Auditorium, and the winning class each semester will be indicated on this banner.

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Y. M. C. A. ACTIVITIES

At the last meeting, Wednesday evening the mid-year graduating class of the 8th grade boys was entertained at a Stag Social. The purpose of the social was to promote a feeling of friendship, with the young fellows. Let us continue to show the big brother spirit to each of these boys.

In the war work campaign eight boys have paid their pledges in full thirty-nine in part. A total of \$239.50 has been collected to date. The rest of you fellows get to work. Remember—and sacrifice you make helps in saving the lives of our soldiers.

JOKES

Miss Gates—"What one word can you think of in place of the three, 'to hold under.'"

Carvel C. "Duck."

Miss Stuart dictating an outline. "G." (gee) Adam's Financial Policy." Everyone laughs.

Miss Stuart innocently, "Well, call it 'H' then if you like."

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FRANCIS HOLMES WINS DECLAMATORY CONTEST

Francis Holmes will represent Ames at Dayton in the sub-district contest, and then in the District Contest, probably. Anna Lindauer won in the Oratorical division and Vera Grover walked away from the other humorous contestants. The whole bunch did so well that it was hard to pick the winner.

HI Y CLUB ACTIVE

Sixteen peppy Ames boys spent the week-end in Boone as delegates at the District Iowa Older Boys' Conference. The meeting was one of the most successful ever held and the boys returned full of pep and resolved "to do the Devil definite damage."

REMEMBER ! !

We play Toledo Friday at seven-fifteen.

ATHLETICS

Ames 7—Boone 11

The game was a scrap from start to finish and showed that the A. H. S. five had the fight. The score at the end of the first half stood 1 to 0 in favor of Ames. Scovel played a stellar game at guard, busting up practically every play. Elliot also showed that he had the ability to break up plays and to keep the ball from our opponents' goal. Innes was the chief scorer for the locals.

Johnston and Patterson netted the eleven points for Boone.

The lineup and summary:

Ames		Boone
Sauvain	F	Johnston
Bennett	F	Patterson
Innis	C	McCortney
Elliot	G	Lamb
Scovel	G	Valline

Field Goals: Boone, Johnston 2; Patterson 3. Ames: Innes 3. Free throws: Boone, Johnston. Ames, Sauvain. Subs.: Boone, Albord for Patterson.

YELLS AND SONGS

AMES HIGH SCHOOL, 1918

VICTORY CHANT

(Tune of Chimes)

We'll win this game,
We're out for fame,
We can't be beat,
Our score repeat.
(Count score)

HIP! HIP!

Hip! Hip! Hoorah!
Rah, Rah, we say,
Ames, Ames, Ames.
(Whistle)
Rah! Rah!

RIP, RAF, RUF.

Rif, raf, ruf,
Rif, raf, ruf.
Ames High, Ames High,
Pretty hot stuff.
(twice)

SAY!. WHAT.

Say!
What?
That's what!
What's what?
That's what they all say!
What do they all say?
Beat Toledo! Beat Toledo! Beat Toledo!

WHO'S THE BEST?

Who's the best, best,
Better than the best rest
(leader) Thompson!
(Repeat twice; then slow on next word.)
O-oh! He's the best, best,
Better than the best rest!
Thompson! Thompson! Thompson!

LOCOMOTIVE.

A-m-e-s, fight, fight, fight, fight
(three times, getting faster)
Ames, Ames, Ames.

LOCOMOTIVE (2)

B-e-a-t T- o-le-do
(three times, watch leader)
Beat Toledo! Beat Toledo! Beat Toledo!

SIRENS.

(three sirens, stand with each)
Ames, Ames, Ames.
(pause)
Win!

CHANT.

A-m-e-s
s
(repeat twice, coming down on s)
A-m-e-s, A-m-e-s
(Siren)
Team! Team! Team!

A - A - M - E - S

A-A-m-e-s
H-h-i-g-h
Ames High
(three times)
Ames High
Ames High

WHO WILL WIN?

Who will win, who will win?
Our Team, Our Team!
They play like sin.
(repeat twice)
(three short sirens)
Ames High! Ames High! Ames High!

SOPHS 19—SENIORS 16

Sophs 22—Juniors 6

The Sophomores easily outclassed the Juniors. Bennett netted the most goals for the Sophs. The Juniors, though they were handicapped by the loss of Hess put up a game scrap. Thornburg, Bennett, Cornelluisse, Elliot, and Scovel played for the Sophs. Potter, Byones, Myers and Howell played for the Juniors.

Sophs 57—Preps 1

The Preps fought hard, but the horseshoe was minus when it came to shooting baskets. Elliot and Scovel played good games as usual. Both teams had the same lineup as for other games.

Seniors 53—Preps 6

Innes lead the Seniors in the scoring twenty six points. It was a good game throughout. The Preps had no luck at shooting baskets as in the Sophomore-Prep game.

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RICKETY, RACKETY.

Rickety, rackety, rickety, Boom!
Who? What Which? Whom?
Ames! Ames! Make room!
Rickety, rackety, rickety, Boom!

HOORAY TEAM

(slow)
Hooray Innis Hooray Sauvain,
Hooray Elliott, Hooray Scovil, Hooray
Bennet!

Our Team! Our Team! Our Team!
(siren, stand up)
Fight! Fight! Fight!

TIMELY YELLS.

Fight, Ames, fight!
(three times)

Guard, Ames, guard!

Shoot, Les shoot!
(or Nev, Roy etc.)

DEAF AND DUMB YELLS

(Start clapping in unison, getting
faster until leader shoots his hands
down. Pause. Then yell)
Scovil! Scovil! Scovil!

Clap—Clap—Clap Clap Clap
Clap—Clap—Clap Clap Clap
Clap—Clap—Clap Clap Clap
Elliot! Elliot! Elliot!

WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH—
(leader) What's the matter with
the team(Innis)

They're (he's) all right.
You bet, every time
Who's all? right
The team, they are, they are all
right.
(Innis, he is, he is all right.)

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Two points more!
(siren)
The team! The team! The team!

FIVE RAHS FOR—

Rah-rah,
Rah-rah-rah,
(Three times)
Scovel, Scovel, Scovel.
(Same as above using fight, or
shoot or guard, instead of rah).

RIP ROP.

Rip, rop,
Flip, flop,
Dead cinch can't stop!
Ames!!
(three times)
Ames! Ames!

HOO-RAH-RAY

Hoo-rah-ray, Hoo-rah-ray,
Ames High, Ames High,
Iowa (I-o-a)
(twice, siren)
Rah! Rah!

INDIVIDUAL YELLS.

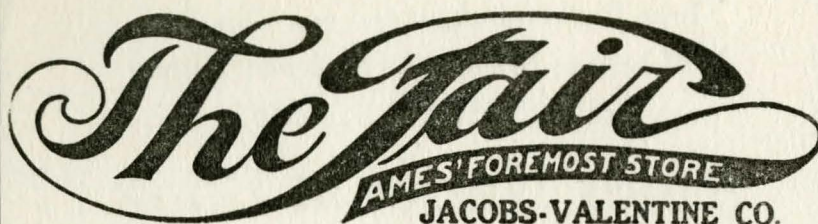
Rah-rah-rah, rah-rah-rah; rah-
rah.
Bennet, Bennet, Bennet.

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If you will boast for A. H. S.
You are the B - E - S - T, best,
And we'll love you, love you, love you
All the T - I - M - E, time.
If you will B - A - C - K, back
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I

Old A. H. S. is here ag'in in basket
ball great fame to win;
And she'll fight hard the live-long
year, that she'll be defeated we
have no fear,
For we have a team we're proud to
back, who wear the good old or-
ange and black,
And when it's time for the game to
start, we'll sing with all our
heart.

CHORUS

Go it Boys! We're ~~at~~ here! We'll
all back you with our old time
cheer,
Though folks may think that you're
not strong
We'll just show them where they're
dead wrong,
And now dear fellows don't you fret.
For we're behind you with a
lott'a "pep."
So just you beat 'em good and fine
And we will yell behind the line.

II

If you're a backer of the Ames High
team, You'll be out to the games
and see them gleam
A victory grand with a great big
score, as the boys used to do in
days of yore,
Our basket-ball games are full of
"pep," from which we have
gained a mighty good "rep."
If you want to keep this from dying
out, just join us while we shout.

(Chorus)

BASKET BALL SONG

("Ramble")

Guard them, guard them,
Dribble down the floor,
Shoot another basket more,

Their floor-work and team work,
Can never find its equal any more.

Rah! Rah! Rah!

We'll beat them, we'll beat them,
For our team is best, that's what,
And we'll give them all the pep
we've got,

Their floor-work and team work
Can never find its equal any more.

Rah! Rah! Rah!

Oh! Ames High, Ames High,
You're the best by test,

Better than the rest,
We'll back you, fight for you,
Give you all the pep we've got right
now.

HERE'S TO AMES.

("A Frangesa"-Costa)

Where in this world of ours is
found a dearer name?

The search it as we may no other
claim

Can mean so much to us; no other
name will do.

Where will we find a school, with
hearts so true?

Ames—it is here they're found,
these tributes true and strong,
We find them here at Ames—here
ever they'll belong.

Ames is a dear old name,
Ames, thru all the years the same;
Ames High always aims high, the
beloved route to fame.

Chorus:

A - M - E - S, you're true blue,
From any who contend your name
we will defend.

A - M - E - S, Here's to you;
We pledge to you our loyalty, for-
ever true

OH! YOU OLD AMES HIGH.

("Rah! Rah! Boy!")

We'll, here's old Ames High today,
She's been holding the full sway,
In the right she wins the fight,
In playing foot ball, they say,
Just because they lose a game,
That's no sign they have no fame,
So with our emblem, let us cheer
them

We sure can make things hum,
With our Rixy! Raxy Sis! Boom Bah!
Ames High! Ames High! Rah! Rah!
Rah!

Oh! Ames High! Rah! Rah! Rah!

CHORUS:

Oh! you Old Ames High!

Oh! you old Ames High!

You are always fair and square,

You are brave and bold,

Honor high you hold,

No pains to win you spare

Rah! Rah! Rah!

Oh! you old Ames High!

Oh! you Old Ames High!

With your hearty Rah! Rah! Rah!

Rixy Raxy! Sis! Boom! Bah!

Ames High! Ames High! Rah! Rah!

Rah!

Oh! Ames High! Rah! Rah! Rah!

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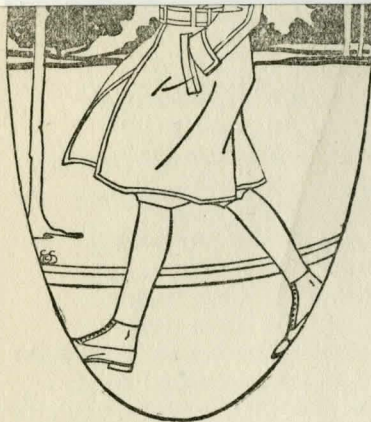
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SONG**

Oh, Stop and look and listen and
then cheer for Ames High.
Here comes out team,
How grand they seem.
They are big and they are strong
They'll sure win the game.
For Ames High will always be
proud of her name.
They will fight rah! rah! Bing!
When they hear the girls sing.

Chorus:

Oh, We'll build a great big score
for the A. H. S.
In the name of the Orange and
Black,
And we'll make us a record we'll
ne'er take back, in our foot-
ball we sure have knack;
Even tho we're good winners, we're
good losers,
And we know that we've played
fair all the while,
And we'll cheer the boys once more
after they've piled up a score
for old Ames High—
Rah! Rah!

**OLD AMES HIGH
("Long Boy")**

Old Ames High, Old Ames High,
Send the ball and make it fly,
They may not know what this
games about,
But you bet by Gosh, they'll soon
find out.
And now Old Ames High don't you
fear,
We'll get you a score that will
bring you cheer.
We'll get you the games and the
titles too
And that's about all one school can
do.

ORANGE AND BLACK

("Princeton Song")

Of all the schools we honor,
In thought or word or deed,
Ames High School holds the ban-
ner,

And always takes the lead.
She always wins the game
On football, field or track,
While the air is filled with fame
For the Orange and the Black.

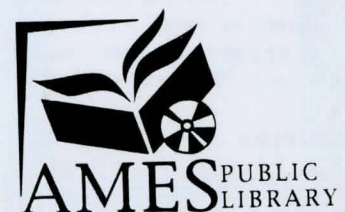
To the work of all the teachers,
We'll all give cheers of praise,
And vow to every help them
Ames High School name to raise.
In the minds of all the students
Great spirit we'll never lack
To work and ever honor
The Orange and the Black.

When the four hard years are over,
Our diplomas all received,
O'er the world we'll start our
travels

Over land and over sea;
But where 'eer we then may wan-
der,

We will turn our memories back,
And think of days in A. H. S.
'Neath the Orange and the Black.

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BY THE JUNIOR CLASS

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WHY THIS IS A "JUNIOR SPIRIT"

Maybe you don't know why the Juniors have the honor of putting out this issue of the 'Spirit.' Well, it was but a simple contest to see which class could obtain the largest per cent of subscribers. We, the Juniors, obtained a percentage of eighty-two per cent; the Seniors, 70 per cent; the Sophomores, 34; and the Freshman 18.

Out of our class only ten were unable or did not care to subscribe. To obtain success in every class the students must cooperate and be willing to sacrifice both money and time. The Junior class has done both. Although the number of boys in the Junior class is very small, only fourteen, yet they turned out the largest per cent of football players from one class. Also the class backed the Red Cross campaign and made one class 100 per cent loyal.

We, the Juniors, are proud of the fact that we are to put out this paper. We don't mean to imply that the other classes lack school spirit, so no class need be offended. It takes **personal spirit** to make **class spirit** and will all four class spirits combined we build our reputation. Let's all make our Spirit hum for a better and most efficient school.

THE 100% JUNIOR CLASS

There are positively no slackers among the Junior class. They are loyal both to their school and to Uncle Sam. To prove it to you, listen to this, every member of the Junior Class belong to the Red Cross! That's what I call good spirit.

When the campaign was on they willingly brought their dollars. All they needed was a suggestion from the student Affairs Committee and they gladly responded without being urged.

Now if all the classes showed the same Spirit, it would be no time until a big 100% Red Cross banner would be waving over the Ames High School.

Help your class, it will help the

school and the school will help the United States in winning this war.

Boone 21-Ames 6

We met Boone for the second time on their home floor and again the orange and black went down in defeat against the fast Boone aggregation. The Boone men knew the location of their basket and some spectacular long shots were caged by Johnstone and Patterson. Innis and Bennet were the only Ames men to locate the ring from the field but the boys put up a mighty game fight. Scovel's guarding was a feature of the game. Eliot's and Souvain's floor work kept the ball out of danger in numerous instances. Bennet played a fast heady game but was unlucky on baskets. Innis was Ames main support all through the game.

Ames		Boone
Souvain	RF	Johnstone
Bennet	LF	Patterson
Innis	C	McCartney
Eliot	RG	Valline
Scovel	LG	Nelson

Substitutes: Corneliussen for Bennet (Ames); Grant for Nelson (Boone); Cox for Patterson (Boone).

Field Goals: Boone—Johnstone 6; Patterson 2; Valline 1. Ames—Bennet 1; Innis 1.

Free throws: Boone—Valline 2; Ames—Savain 2.

Officials: Stneufer of I. S. C. Referee.

Ames-Toledo Game

In the second inter-scholastic game of the season Ames continued her line of victories by defeating the undefeated Toledo quintet. The game was a flash from start to finish but Toledo was unable to break thru our line of defense. The team work of the Ames five was the cause of the high score. Souvain and Eliot displayed excellent team work and caged ten of the twenty field goals, Eliot leading with six. DuPre and Westfall of Toledo were stars but Westfall was held to one basket by the consisting of Scovel. The game commenced at 8:45 instead of 7:15 due to the delay of the Toledo squad.

The gymnasium was crowded and the spectators held unusual order till the game started. Byrnes led the High School in some of our new peppy yells and they showed the team they were behind them. He proved himself worthy of representing his school.

The lineup was as follows:

Ames 43		Toledo 10
Souvain	F	Westfall
Bennet	F	Lupton
Innis	C	DuPre
Scovel	G	Poole
Eliot	G	Somer

Substitutions: Harlan for Lupton, Ribby for DuPre, Corneliussen for Bennet, Watkins for Eliot.

Referee: Stoneifere.

Ames-Alumni Game

On the twenty-fifth of January Ames returned to her line of victories by defeating the Alumni with the total score of 34-23. This was the second game of the season after our return into the inter-scholastic competition. Scovel did his "two-bits" at guard while Souvain and Eliot played consistent games.

The line-up was as follows:

Ames		Alumni
Souvain	F	Devoreck
Bennett	F	Jacobson
Innis	C	Lerdall
Eliot	G	Crosby
Scovel	G	Shull

Substitutions: Musson for Bennett, Corneliussen for Innis, Olson for Shull. Referee Harper.

Junior-Prep 2nds.

The Prep Seconds walloped the Junior Seconds by a score of 39-10. The chief feature of the game was the scientific basket shooting of Squeak Allen. He caged twenty-one of the Preps' thirty-nine points. Adams caged six points for the Juniors.

The line-up was as follows:

Adams	F	Allen
Puffett	F	Shultz
Cupps	C	Hoon
Jarvis	G	Griffith
Anderson	G	Burns

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EDITORIAL

We surely do have the right spirit at Ames when it comes to Athletics. Of course, we were put out of the association for a time but when we came back they found we still had the same old pep. The students are turning out for basket ball as never before and they certainly should be commended for it.

Nevertheless when it comes to other school activities, Ames High must wake up. Aren't we becoming too one-sided in our development? In the extemporaneous speaking contest only two students tried out and while they did their best they can hardly be considered as a representative member from Ames High School. Then in debate there is also a lack of proper interest for if we wish to accomplish anything along this line we must have the cooperation of all of the school.

Of course, these activities are new but for that very reason every student in Ames High School should get back of them and boost. Let's everyone try to give Ames the name of being the best all around school in the state. We can too, if YOU will help.

Y. W. PARTY

Thursday evening about one hundred girls assembled in the gymnasium for a good time. Each girl was accompanied by an escort.

During the evening, Vera Grover gave one of her humorous readings. The Lang girls also gave several songs. Near the end of the evening stick candy and bags of popcorn were passed around. Everyone had a very good time, but the trouble was we couldn't stay very long.

ELECTION

The students of A. H. S. were given a chance for real voting last Tuesday. It was given so that the Civics Classes would get some real value from their study of the use of the ballot.

The students were to vote for two yell leaders. The Sophs had two candidates, Genieve Lang and Alvin Thornburg. The Juniors had one candidate, Raymond Byrnes and the Seniors had two candidates, Lucile Land and Earl Johnson. The Preps were not allowed to vote in the primaries.

After counting the votes it was found that Lucile Lang, Earl Johnson, Raymond Byrnes, and Genieve Lang were elected to run on the final ticket.

The final election took place Thursday noon. Lucile Lang and Raymond Byrnes were elected yell leaders.

AMES FIRST DEBATE

Friday the local debating team met the Sioux City Team on the home floor in one of the strongest debates heard this year.

The question for discussion was: Resolved, That the Federal Government should own and operate the Railroads as a permanent policy.

The local team composed of Alford Carleton, Leslie Gray and Barclay Noble, put up a strong debate on the negative side of the question. The visiting team showed evidence of experience, this debate being the fourteenth one that they have participated in this year. Sioux City clear-

ly won if judged from the standpoint of delivery, but they failed to meet the real issues of the debate in their argument.

The spirit and interest shown by the H. S. is to be especially commended.

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NEWS ITEMS

Detectives are at work trying to discover the German spy who is at work in the A. H. S. The presence of such a foe was detected by the number of persons suffering from German measles. Who's the spy? Watch out!

Mrs. Dick Schregardus, formerly Miss Sadie Clark, left Thursday for her home in Columbus, Ohio, after an extended visit with her parents.

Vaughn Hunter is now in the Philippines serving in the United States Army.

A large crowd of teachers and pupils attended the game in Boone Friday night.

The High School teachers had a party at the Singer home last week in honor of Mrs. Schregardus.

Robert Potter is confined to his home on account of the mumps.

Mr. and Mrs. Stiffy entertained Miss Thornburg and Mrs. Schregardus at dinner, last week.

There have been a great number of absences during the last two weeks on account of mumps and measles.

JOKES! !

1. LOST: A letter. Inquire of Buzz Lang or Bernard Moreland.

2. Miss Miller requests the civics classes not to introduce any new spelling. Please retain the old 'veto' instead of 'vetoe.'

3. Edgar Allen Poe considers the death of a beautiful woman the most poetical subject. Manning Howell considers the marriage of a beautiful woman a good deal more so.

4. Miss Barnes (calling roll): "Willmet Olson." No reply. "Isn't Willmet here?"

Myrna Tripp: "She can't because she's in my locker."

5. Sister's Beau: "Lillian, if you will come sit on my lap I'll give you a nice present."

Lillian (aged 5): "It that why you gave sster a diamond rong?"

6. When asked to name the festivities the Roman Catholic Church celebrated in about 1400, Ava Kulow replied, "Christmas, New Year, and the Fourth of July."

A. H. S. YELL LEADERS

The Ames High School yell leader is a Junior, Raymond Burnes. He received one hundred and eighty-four votes and his able assistant, Lucile Lang, followed closely with one hundred and thirty-four. Raymond being naturally noisy and loose-jointed is ably qualified to fill this position. We believe that Raymond will de-

velop into a yell leader that is hard to beat. Much can be said of his assistant, Lucile for she is the first girl yell leader that has been elected in Ames High. She deserves credit for her pep and we know she will never tire of leading us in our old orange and black yells.

THE BOY SCOUT ANNIVERSARY

The past week has been a very important one in the history of the Boy Scouts of America. They were celebrating the eighth anniversary of that organization. Friday, Feb. 8 was the birthday of the movement and was celebrated by a large indoor picnic held in the High School Gym. The three troops were in friendly competition to see who could get the largest number present, the winners to receive a large American flag. Troop three was victorious with sixty-one, troop one second with forty-one, and troop two, third.

Saturday the scouts gave various demonstration down town, camping, signalling, first aid. One window was devoted to Scout photography.

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SOUR GRAPES

"There is no coal,"
Someone told me.
"What difference does that make."
Said I to she.

"Difference enough,"
My friend replied.
I saw the point
"Vacation," I cried.

We danced a jig
And sang for joy.
"An early vacation,"
We cried, "Oh Boy!"

Then past Miss Mills
We hastily flew
Went into the rest room
To spread the news through.

Oh blissful moments
Oh rapture immense
Then ! ! Something happened
Are you in suspense?

"There'll soon be coal."
I heard someone say.
"Our good friend Jim
Told me today."

You horrid creature
I mildly said.
If Miss Williams weren't here
I'd smash your head.

But Alas, Alas
The creature was right.
Coal came next day
The creature was right.

Said I to myself:
I'll be an optimist by Jing.
It's better to go to school now
Than in spring.

D. H.

Miss Mills: "Dorothy, who is Henry Van Dyke."

Dorothy: "That's just what I was wondering."

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POOR PREPS.

Miss Coskery: "Does this ballad show simplicity or complexity?"

The class seemed much in doubt, but finally a Soph replied, "Simplicity."

Miss Coskery disgustedly: "Of course it shows simplicity, the Freshmen have been studying it so it must be simple."

JOKES

Miss Mills (in 5th period English class): I thought possibly you might have learned something some time or other.

Miss Fickel (to Cleo Allen, who was cutting up in English): "Cleo! You may take this seat over here. This is no pugilistic contest and besides you're entirely too little for a prize fighter."

Ag. Instructor: "What was the date of origin?"

Soph: "I don't know."

Instructor sympathetically: "Yes I know this sort of dates are hard to remember."

Do you ever hear anyone say anything very funny? If you do s'ip it in 'the joke box so we can all laugh together.

Margaret—"Did you get the opera score?"

Hodges—"Yes, they were tied in the last minutes of play."—Ex.

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AMES-NEVADA

Ames won another victory when we defeated Nevada 35-21. The teams were quite evenly matched but the superior guarding of Scovel kept Nevada from scoring. Elliott led his team-mates by netting five field goals. Bennett, Innes and Sauvain played a great game of teamwork, working the ball down thru their opponents many times, but they failed to hit the ring. The game was fast thruout and created a hot contest between the rooters of Nevada and Ames.

We sure will have to give it to the backers of old A. H. S. that attended the game. The helper a great deal in winning the game by "Fight—Ames—Fight" and it sure put the fight in the fellows.

Lineup and summary

Ames		Nevada
Bennett	R. F.	Armstrong
Souvain	L. F.	Berka
Innes	C.	Shaw
Elliott	R. G.	Finnic
Scovel	L. G.	Jensen

Field goals—

Ames—Elliott 5, Bennett 4, Innes 4, Sauvain.

Nevada—Berka 2, Shaw 3, Armstrong.

Free throws—

Ames—Sauvain 5, Innes 2.

Nevada—Armstrong 1, Berka 2, Shaw 2.

JUNIOR-SOPHOMORE CONTEST

What we want for this last literary issue of the Spirit is a real live contest, full of competition. A grandfather's story. What all doesn't that suggest? Can't you just hear him telling his favorite one? "When Bill and I went hunting, that time—," or "When I courted Sall—" or "One time, at a huskin' bee—." Oh there are numberless things here; funny, melancholy, sad or jolly.

The Juniors and Sophomores will compete this time. Stories must be in by March 1st. And for the best story from the competitors, the biggest pennant yet!

COMING! COMING! COMING!

What promises to be the best ever in Ames High Annuals is on the way. A big, fine, hundred page annual made of the finest paper and just full of cute and beautiful pictures jokes of all sizes, shapes and colors, and pep, pep, pep just boarded the train for Ames. She, the Spirit Annual wears a new feature in a bunch of daring snapshots, sports and a review of the year's news.

Some of the advance agents are already in town and working to beat the former issues. Dorothy Harri-man is scouting for senior write-ups, Donald Finch is smelling out jokes, Earl Johnson is helping the Sophs win high school championships and the team win games, Irene Sogard is loosing sleep in trying to find a senior to write a story or poem that will make a hit, and Gilberta is gaining a "rep" in asking for all the soldiers' pictures, and snap shots and drawings for the annual.

Printers, engravers, photographers all say to the business manager, "You'll have to pay a little more on account of the old war!" but the annual writes him not to get the same habit, and he hasn't got it yet. He says the price will probably be fifty cents to all except subscribers who will get a twenty percent reduction.

LITERARY SOCIETY

The Senior attack on the Juniors proved successful. The debating squad routed the Juniors and took fifteen sectors. In the extemporaneous attack the parties broke even each taking five. The Seniors fell behind when several members were court martialed, but managed to go "over the top" for a victory.

"TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN"

Ames High appreciates the assemblies it has recently been entertained by, and wishes to congratulate all those taking a part therein.

Signed and witnessed before,

MARIAN SMITH,

Notifier of the Public.

Soph Champions in Basketball

The Sophomores beat the Seniors by a large margin of 24 to 4. This game gave the Sophomores the title of champions in class basketball. The Seniors won the first game to the tune of 40-14 and the Sophomores won second game by 19-16. In the final game the Sophomores were victorious. Elliott and Thornburg were the chief point gainers for the Sophomores. Inness gained the four points for the fourth year men. The game was hard fought, but from the very start the Seniors were "all out of luck." Many shots were made but failed to go thru the ring.

Summary and lineup:

Sophs.		Seniors
Thornburg	c.	Innes
Bennett	r. f.	Sauvain
Cornelliussen	l. f.	Goode
Elliott	r. g.	Belknap
Scovel	l. g.	Watkins

Field goals: Sophs, Elliott 5, Thornburg 3, Cornelliussen 2, Bennett 2; Seniors. Inness 2.

Y. W. C. A.

The Y. W. C. A. has not advertised itself a great deal of late but in spite of this fact it has been far from inactive. About two weeks ago an election was held for president as our former president, Ina Reins, finished High School last semester. Lillie Roberson was elected to fill the vacancy and is already at work.

At the present time the organization is working very hard in the interest of the girls who entered high school last semester. For this purpose a meeting was held in the study hall Feb. 21. As many of the new girls as possible were personally invited to attend the meeting, and address full of interest was given by Miss Ott, the college Y. W. Secretary. We hope that with the help of these freshman girls we may succeed in arousing more interest and enthusiasm.

Senior—Say, have you a minute to spare?

Freshie—Yes.

Senior—Tell me all you know.

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EDITORIAL

Is Ames having a slump?

For a while it looked as if Ames was going to be a banner high school in class pep, "Y" Pledges, Red Cross membership, Red Cross Work, Y. M. and Y. W. work. But now class pep seems to be weaker than it was, some of the "Y" Pledges seem to be "scraps of paper," we have one hundred per cent Red Cross pledged but not paid up, and the Y. M. work has shrunk to a dozen boys. It's a bad sign to have spring fever before Spring is really here. We might be called lazy.

Let's pep up! Nobody has ever had a chance to call Ames a quitter yet, are we going to be the first ones to show the yellow streak? Don't we show the yellow streak when we are afraid (call it something else if you want to, but you can't change the looks of it) to dig out the money we have pledged, to boost your class, the Red Cross or the "Y" so hard that it has to be better?

Ask yourself, "Is Ames High having a slump?" and then answer it in a way so that no one else will think of asking you if Ames High is having a slump.

A CHALLENGE

By "HI Y"

Every Ames High boy cannot go to war but every boy, every day has a chance to show how much nerve he has. Every boy cannot play on the basket ball team, or on the teams, even though they all want to, but every boy, prep or senior has a chance to show whether his back-bone is made of iron or soft, runny, yellow paint.

How much nerve does it take to swear when "everybody's doing it?" How much nerve does it take to smoke when all the gang smokes? To lose a little money shooting "craps" when the gang pats you on the back, either with their hands or eyes, and calls you "a good sport?" To shoot a paper wad in such a sneaky way that the teacher cannot, or does not want to catch you at it? How much grit does it take to act and talk "tough" when all the other "toughs" you go with are bluffs too. Are these boys showing nerve, grit, back-bone, or are they just drifting along and letting somebody else run

them, as though they were babies, not men?

But, how much nerve does it take to buck the crowd, tell those that swear that they are only showing their own weakness by not cutting out such a habit, to go with a gang that smokes, and not smoke yourself; to cut out "craps" and tell the gang that they are only playing a game begun by a bunch of weak-kneed, hollow-eyed drug fiends, to forget about the paper wads that hit you while in school, and to call the bluff of one of these "tough kids?" Does it take real nerve or not? Which boy comes nearest to being like Gotch, Caddock, Wagner or Baker?

The challenge of the Hi Y is to live clean, and it takes more than a weakling to accept this challenge. "Hi Y" challenges every boy in the high school to come out tonight, and every or any other Wednesday night and learn how to meet the devil and pin his shoulders to the mat.

WAKE UP BOYS:

In France: Four "Sammies" are staggering back from the front lines toward the rest billets. Suffering from exhaustion and hunger they are about ready to give up. But they learn from a squad of re-enforcements that there is a "Y" hut just about one-half mile away. They determine to reach that shanty and make a final effort. After stumbling along for a long time they reach this haven of rest. But to their despair it is closed. The disappointment is too great, they give up, and die right there on the "Y" door step. But,

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why was the hut closed? Lack of funds. Why lack of funds? American subscriptions were running low. Right here in this High School the pledges are far behind. You pledged \$10, why don't you pay up? It's up to you to see that no more huts close up for lack of funds. Come across and back your pledge.



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"NEWS"

The Girls Gym Classes last Friday were taught by College girls.

Beatrice Olson had a week's vacation because her sister had the measles.

Ardeth Martin of Belle Plaine is visiting with Helen Nesbit.

A crowd of High School boys entertained their girls at the home of LeRoy Aplin last Thursday night.

The boys and girls of the Congregational Sunday School enjoyed a George and Martha Washington Basket social last Saturday night.

Georgina Kirkham is very much better but will not be back in school this year.

Marie Judge was in Boone Saturday.

Helen Sherman, who has been ill, is again in school, but only for a week or two as her parents have taken a large farm near Sleepy Eye, Minn., and are intending to move there soon.

Romana Reins, Beatrice Olson, Josephine Wilkinson and Edith Wallis attended the Slater-Ames basket ball game.

Dorothy Beam is working mornings at I. S. C.

The taffy pull that Miss Coskery's seventh period English class gave for the third period class was a big success. A big bunch was there and every one had a good time pulling taffy and playing games.

GEN. MEASLES (measles general) IN SCHOOL

Gen. Measles has asked the following people to report for daily workouts: Miss Miller, Miss Coskery, Bob Potter, Marie Judge, Eleanor Murray, Jeanette Beyers, Loraine Caul, Leatha Seymour, Gilberta Luke, Myrle Garretson Eva Hoffman, Neva Spense, Marie Mortenson, and Clarence Bolton.

For additional names see the Red Bulletin Board. Gen. Measles says he is just itching to get more students. "An de measles'll getcha ef you don watch out."

HOW MANY MINDS RUN

Marvin Sogard in Civics: A Secretary shall be elected and he shall arrange for dates every Friday night.

Leatha Fish in English: I don't see how you could play with dice without gambling.

Miss Mills: I have.

Beatrice in English enumerating the sports mentioned in Goldsmith's 'Deserted Village' "Gambling" (Gambling)

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STUDENT OPINION

Recently the high school has been the scene of much confusion—fourth of July celebrations and paper wad battles. The members of the faculty, Mr. Steffy specially, have gently and kindly remonstrated with us against this disorder. They deserve our support in this measure. Let us all boost for a united loyalty and spirit of cooperation; it is within the power of the Ames High Student body to either make or destroy the reputation of the school.

W. G.

Seniors Win Second

Class Champions

The Seniors won from the Sophomores by the score of 22-8 making them champions of the second teams. Hubbard was the only one of the Sophomores that was able to score

and he netted eight points for his team. Johnson and Beach lead in basket shooting for the Senior-seconds. The Sophomore put up a good scrap but failed to overcome the lead of the Senior team.

Sophomore seconds beat Junior seconds by the score of 10-6.

Freshmen seconds wallop Junior seconds 39-6.

Elizabeth Batman spent the week-end in Nevada.

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Varsity Basket Ball

The varsity have lost two games to Boone, the first by a score of 11-7 the second 21-6. They have won two games, one from Toledo with a score of 42-10, and one from the Alumni, score 22-14, making a total of 77 points to their opponents 56. This shows that the team, though three are new men, have the ability to play the game.

The following schedule is yet to be played:

Algona at Algona ----- March 1
Tournament ----- March 8-9
Nevada at Ames ----- March 15

Some hard games are yet to be played, and the team needs your backing, "Backing of the Orange and the Black."

PLEASE!

Of course we can't publish any more letters from the boys in the army camps and in France, since the government says, 'no' but still we are interested in hearing about them. Won't you who are getting letters from the boys divide up a little, and give to the "Spirit" a few of those little personal items which are of so much interest to the rest of the school? It is just little things a-

bout the boys we want, the kind that can be run in with the "news."

Don't be selfish any more, but tell the News Editor or the reporters about it and then we all can enjoy it.

MOVING PICTURES FOR THE HIGH SCHOOL

The committee of Fathers and Sons appointed to consider buying a picture machine for the High School met last Friday evening. It was decided that we are to have a first-class machine or none at all. The machine and equipment will cost quite a sum, but if everyone helps it will be easily obtained.

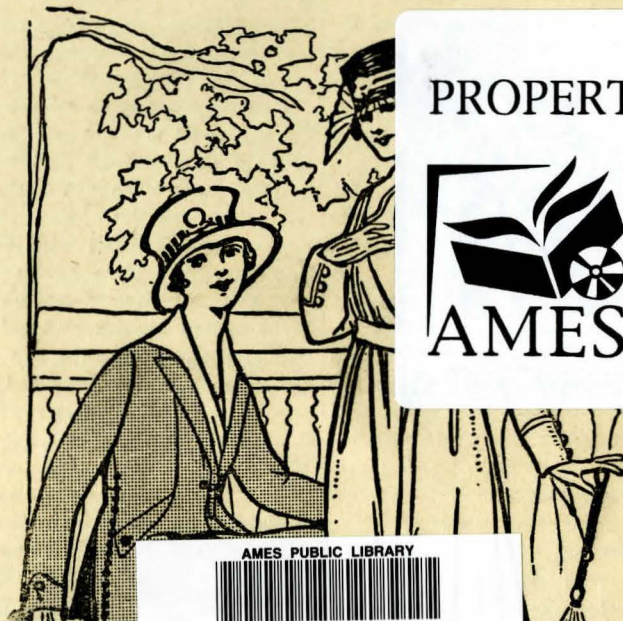
The pictures to be shown will in-

clude educational, travel and amusement films, and will probably be selected by a faculty board.

Picture machines at East and West High of Des Moines are a great success. West High has a moving picture camera and makes its own films. Football and basketball games out of town are shown at home in moving pictures.

Sophs Win From Slater

The Champions entered the Slater territory last Friday and showed the big town how to play basketball. The final score being 24-18. The Big Town Band also played. Ask those who witnessed the fight in the bull ring.



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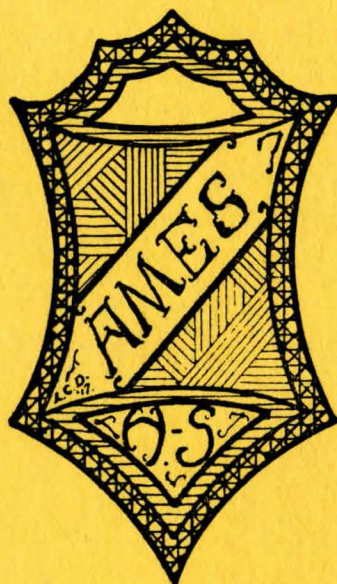
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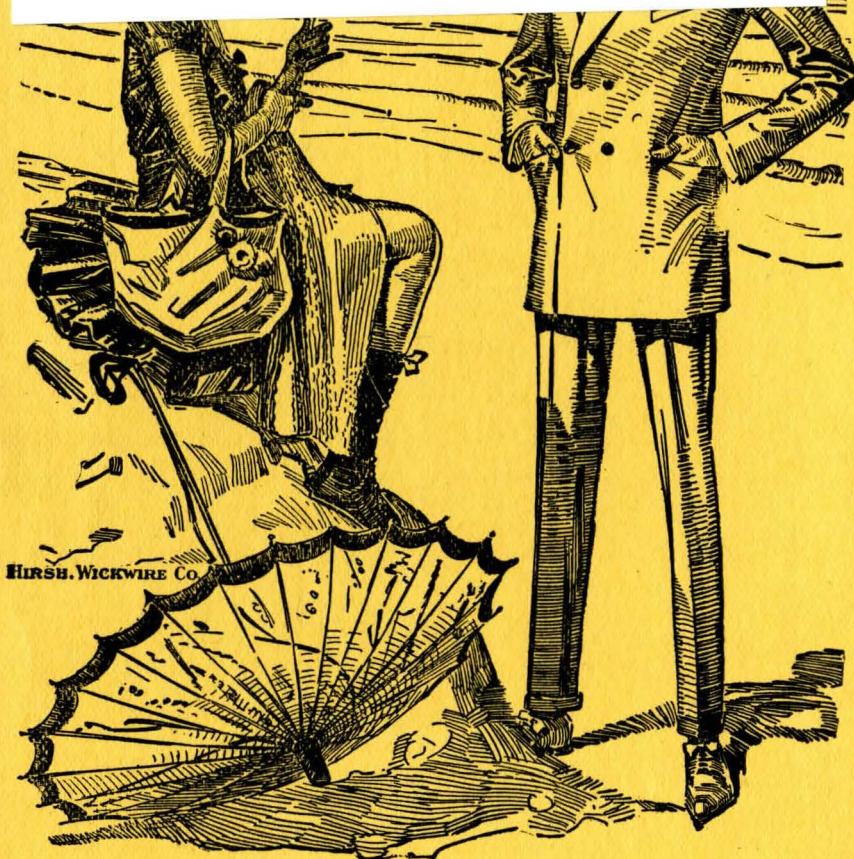
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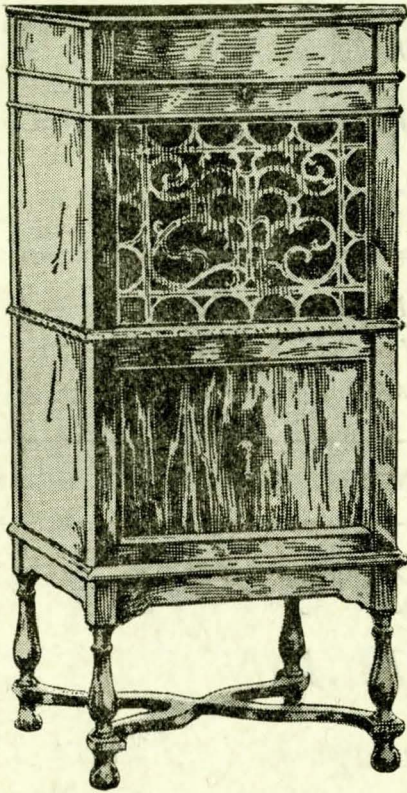
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and men respond with the noblest and purest deeds of heroism. Inspired by it they make the sublimest sacrifices with a smile on their lips. They go into battle—they go down on ships at sea singing songs.

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EDITORIAL

Ames High has given 38 of her best young men to this war. These young men gave up an easy going school life for the hardships of training camps and trenches. We remain here at home and take life easy, not the least affected by the war. Our Soldiers give up luxuries and more important than that, education. When they return, if they do return, they will be back several years in education and perhaps will have lost a good position, which they might have gotten if they had stayed in school. Many soldiers buy Liberty bonds and not very many of us took out bonds or even are buying Thrift stamps. As said, a soldier sacrifices luxuries and education, he makes one big sacrifice, his life. If the soldier makes all these sacrifices for us, we can surely help back him up. You girls get into Red Cross work. You boys get a job this summer

and help Uncle Sam and our Soldier boys. "They are doing their best there. Are you doing your best here?"

STUDENT OPINION

Say! You fellows who pledged ten dollars for Army Y. M. C. A. remember the second payment was due March 1st, and the first payment, as some have not yet paid that, was due last January. Can't we pay these pledges and give our boys over there some pep? Some other high schools in the state much smaller than this have paid all of their pledges. Let's remember and do our bit.

R. P.

Let's Put It Across

Some time ago we started a campaign to have every student in A. H. S. be a member of the Red Cross. It met with instant response. Everyone seemed willing and glad to pay their dollar to become a member of the Red Cross. Some even did not have to be asked, but came up to pay their membership fee, before any one asked them. That is, every student in A. H. S. paid their membership fee except NINE. Surely those nine people must just have forgotten about the matter. They certainly cannot have meant to hold up our dear, old A. H. S. from getting a big Red Cross Service banner showing a 100 per cent school. Can those nine people proudly hold up their head and say with an air of satisfaction "I am not a member of the Red Cross, and furthermore I am keeping a whole High School from having a 100 per cent Red Cross banner. Surely those nine people will not hold the matter up any longer but will immediately come a-

cross with their dollar.—“An Urger for a 100 per cent H. S. in Red Cross membership.”

(Notice: This article was only meant for nine certain people, who have signed up for membership, but have not paid up to date.)

Are we going to have a moving picture camera? The only thing that seems lacking is the money. Why not allow the students to work up another vaudeville show to raise part of the money for it? We already have a Dramatic Club organization, why not use it? The objections come up, that we must not emphasise that side of literary work, and that it takes too much time. It seems to me as if the first objection has been used so many times that it has lost its force. How many student Theatricals have we had this year? Two short farces. How many of the students have been connected with them? About fifteen or twenty. Does this look as if we were placing the emphasis on such literary work. Now as to the second objection: Why of course it takes a lot of time. So do athletics, debates, literary society programs, movies, dances, hanging around the street or smoke-house. You must agree that school kids have to have a certain amount of recreation, and yet doesn't it seem to you that since they like to do this kind of work so well that they must be always held back from it, that it is about as good recreation as any? It is good training too. A vaudeville show could be made to take in more people than any other kind of literary work, and it would get twice the interest out of them, and results must be measured by what a person puts into the enterprise.

The show could be given in the afternoon to grade and high school pupils, and in the evening to other people. This ought to net about sixty dollars, and another show could be given next year, and the rest of the money paid for by the camera itself.

If you still object to a vaudeville show to raise money for a motion picture camera, tell us about it.

AN ALL SCHOOL DANCE

If you object to high school people dancing, and don't want to dance yourself, you don't have to, and this is not addressed to you. There are quite a number of pupils who do dance, and surely the high school authorities would not attempt to prohibit their dancing in dances not connected with the high school. Since the pupils are going to dance anyway, why not recognize the fact, and help oversee the dances? Is it not a “logical conclusion” to believe that a dance under the direction of the high school authorities, and chaperoned by some of the popular teachers would be apt to be as good or better for the pupils that dance than the other dances they attend? The dance could either be given at cost, and the cost would be very low, or it might be used as a means of raising money for the Red Cross.

The advantage of a High School Dance would be that it would break up the cliquishness that is present now. Such a general mixer would go a long ways toward binding the high school together as a solid body in other things, such as athletics, class spirit, etc. And it would provide as wholesome entertainment as the pupils could find anywhere.

Of course, it would make the school board responsible for the character of the dances, and some people would attack them saying that they were encouraging dancing, but is it not better to have such a body of censors for the dances the high school pupils attend, and would the mere fact that authorized dances were being held, increase the number of pupils that dance. The question of whether their children danced or not, must still rest with the parents.

As they say in the student forum in Literary Society, “I would like to hear this discussed.”—B. N.

Smileage! What a fine new word. How language does grow.

Teacher—What happens when an irresistible forces comes in contact with an immovable body?

Small Boy—A spanking.



FIRST PRIZE—THE TINY REBEL

"Grandpa, please tell us a story," begged Mary Sue as she took her accustomed place on the stool at the foot of grandfather's chair. "Make it a real int——"

"Yes, please tell us one," interrupted Bobby, "but make it exciting. About bears and things like that, you know, the ones that make Beth squeal and hide her head, and Mary Sue grab your hand and say, 'Oh stop, please Grandpa.'"

"Now, Bobby, you horrid boy. I'd like to know who asked for a story, I guess you didn't. And besides you know what Mother said 'bout interrupting," began Mary Sue, but she stopped short when she saw Beth, the baby and pride of the family, come running into the room, covered with mud and crying as if she had a regular salt lake hidden in her head and it had suddenly found an outlet.

"Oh!" wailed Beth, "a great big black doggie runded after me and I——felled——down, oh—— oh—— oh" and she broke out again.

"Tut, tut," said Grandpa, "Mary Sue, take Beth up to your Mother and as soon as she has dry clothes on, bring her back. Beth, when you come back you can sit on my lap and I'll tell you a story."

"Oh, Gwandpa, goody" and Beth smiled through her tears.

"Well, hurry now. It's fine to have a rainbow so soon after the shower."

In a few minutes Mary Sue and Beth returned. Such a transformation. No one could tell that Beth had ever cried and her dress was so stiff and clean that it fairly shouted, "clean, clean" when she moved.

"Well, Gwandpa, here we are," sang Beth as she hipity hopped into the room and climbed up on his knee. "Now please

tell us the stowly and tell a weal nice one."

"You see" began Grandpa, "I didn't know what story to tell until you came in all covered with mud and then I had an inspiration. It made me think of something that happened long ago when I fought with the boys in blue to help preserve the nation." Grandpa's voice trembled, but it had a ring of pride in it as it always did when he spoke of his war days.

"It was in the summer of sixty-five during Sherman's March to the Sea. We had marched miles and miles and were just about tired enough to give up when we entered a little Southern village.

"As we passed a tiny cottage, it wasn't much more than a hut, we noticed a little girl sitting on the steps hugging an old rag doll. How it happened, we never knew, but 'Abe' our big woolly dog mascot ran toward her and grabbed her by the dress and pulled her out in the street toward us. Of course we all ran and made 'Abe' let her go. She wasn't hurt, only scared and we were going to pass on and think no more about it when suddenly one of the men, Jake, we called him, ran up and cried.

" 'Get out of here; let me look at that child. Why, Annabell,' he muttered, 'what are you doing here? Where are your father and mother? Boys', he said, turning to us, 'it's my brother's only child and she says her father was killed and her mother has gone, she don't know where. To think I have been fighting against my own brother.'

"After further questioning and inquiring around the village we learned that her father had been killed fighting for the South and her mother had contracted the fever and died a few days before.

"Oh Gwandpa what became of the poor

little girl." asked Beth, too excited to wait until Grandpa finished.

"Well," said Grandpa, "we took her with us and several days later we found some kind people going north who took her back to Jake's home. Of course you don't understand, but when you came in here crying and saying that a dog chased you it took me right back to that day and I could see it all over again as plain as if it had happened yesterday. That, was just one of the many, many little tragedies of the war that history never records," finished Grandpa.

ELEANOR MURRAY.

SEEING NELLIE HOME

It was storming outside and the Norton family had all gathered about the fire. It was even too stormy for the twins, Billy and Becky, to venture out to make a snowman. They were sitting on the floor, trying to solve one of their numerous puzzles, with a solemnity befitting the settling the affairs of the nation. Mrs. Norton was knitting and Louise was deeply interested in the February "Ladies Home Journal." Grandfather, in his accustomed chair near the fire, was drowsily nodding his head.

With a yawn, Louise tossed her magazine and it fell into grandfather's lap. He awoke with a start and glanced at the magazine. The picture before him attracted his attention. The country church had just been dismissed. In the foreground was a sleigh containing two people, a young man in khaki and a girl wearing a red Tam o' hanter and a red coat. But the title held his attention, "Seeing Nellie Home."

The twins had solved their puzzle and as Grandfather gave a chuckle followed by a sigh, they begged for a story.

"Oh, grandfather, I can tell by your face you have just thought of a perfectly lovely story. Do tell us one," begged Becky.

As grandfather hesitated, Louise put in her plea, "What were you laughing to yourself about, grandfather?"

He looked up, drew a deep breath and re-

plied, "This picture just brought back to memory one of my experiences. It was a long time ago. I wore the Uniform of the U. S. too, just as this young fellow is now, only mine was blue. It was just before I joined my regiment. My ambition had been to see Nellie home. The other boys all had the same ambition and not a few had bought a 'courtin' colt.' For Nellie was by far the prettiest girl around our parts. She had kept us all guessin' until finally folks said the running was between Tom Brett and me.

"The night of the 'pie social,' we both went with the intention of seeing Nellie home. When she arrived we took particular notice of the appearance of her box. When old Griswold, who was selling them, put up the box we both knew was Nellie's, the bids were pretty lively. But finally the price reached a place where I had to give up. I couldn't bid any more even for Nellie's box. Tom triumphantly bore off the prize but great to his surprise and our amusement, Maria James, the fattest woman east of Onion Creek, blushing came forward to claim her partner. And sure enough, another box like the one Tom had just proudly carried away was put up for sale.

And so I had the good luck to eat supper with Nellie and afterwards the ride home was ecstasy.

And as a result of that ride, I had the privilege of seeing Nellie home for the next twenty-five years."

GLADYS MYERS.

I wonder if the girls abroad
Are as pretty as pretty can be?
I never thought much about it,
But now it interests me.

'Tis said that they are beautiful,
Graceful, and very meek,
Their smile is slow and winning,
The red is in their cheek.

Their manners, simply charming,
They're clever as can be;
Why couldn't they be homely
Or clumsy, I don't see.

I know that it is needful
But what an awful chance,
For our boys have joined the Army,
And have to go to France.
—Genevieve Lang.

THE FIRST SIGN OF SPRING

Oh, grizzled and gray is the organ man,
And spattered with mud is his shoe,
For he trudges the highway, far and near
With a message for me and you.
It is the first gay sound of the year
That, carried on winter's breeze
Whispers an assurance of spring,
So, give him a penny, please.

Happy is the song of the organ man;
And it always seems to say,
"Tho' the winter's days are dark and drear
There will come a brighter day;"
So he fortells the joys to be,
A prophet whose tales come true,
The flowers shall blossom, the birds shall
sing,
So give him a penny, do!

—Gladys Myers.

Lonely, lost, and unbefriended,
So they hurry down the hall.
"Up the north, or down the north stairs?
Oh which is it." they do call.

If some Junior, Soph, or Senior,
Would just help them find their room
They would be their loving servants
To the very crack of doom.

Let's don't laugh and call them Freshies
Let us help them on their way
We were Preps, too, when we started,
This is their beginning day.

—Harriett Shleiter.

"VALIDA SKIFF CONVERTED."

As Valida Skiff sat heedfully and cautiously folding the various surgical dressings in the Red Cross workroom, she felt an indescribable ache in her throat. Scenes of shells bursting over the heads of soldiers, the stealthy advance into No Man's Land resulting in hundreds of shattered and shot torn bodies, finally to be

carried off by Death; the horrible atrocities of the Germans—all these agonizing mysteries of war—beyond comprehension crept into her mind and soon sympathetic pity completely overcame her. Tears came into her soft gray eyes. How could she have grudged the dollar for membership in the Red Cross Organization; how could she have made an appointment to go to the movie, or to a dance when she knew the existing conditions in Europe and the enormous demand for surgical dressings and only a few were filling these demands?

She quickly put her hands up to her face which wore a mysterious, pitiful, repentant expression which finally deepened into a determined resolve that never again was self to be considered first.

A WEED

I thought it was curses for weeds to grow
I thought they meant work that's all;
Until last night's snow came softly—
And my thoughts I now recall.

I gazed on the garden below me,
And there was a beautiful sight;
For I saw a lonely weed
In its gown of sparkling white.

It leaned just a little way over,
But not to hide shame or woes;
It had seen how roses beckoned,
And was imitating those.

I'm sure it had nothing to covet;
What more could it wish of charm,
Snow was lodging on branch and leaf
In its purity to charm.

—Edna Dressler.

LLOYD GEORGE

Dr. Charles F. Aked in his lecture on Lloyd George told some jokes worth repeating. Lloyd George is a Welshman, and the Welshmen are as proud, as proud can be, of him. Dr. Aked opened his lecture by telling of the conversation of a Welshman and Englishman, with the Welshman doing all the talking. The Welshman had been praising Lloyd George in every possible manner, until the Eng-

lishman became so bored that he broke into the praise with, "Hush man, he's not God Almighty."

The Welshman flared right back with, "No, but he's young yet."

At another time Dr. Aked explained that all English public speakers had to be ready at all times to answer a joke from someone in the crowd, and turn it back on the person who was trying to make fun of them. He said that Lloyd George excelled in this art, and delivered smashing blows that fairly crushed the speaker.

Once, just after Lloyd George had passed a climax in his speech, someone in the crowd, a little the worse for wear, yelled out in a drunken voice, "What I want is a change of government."

Lloyd George answered quick as lightning, "No, my friend, what you want is a change of drink."

At another time just as Lloyd was starting his speech with "I am here—(to defend home rule", he was going to say) when some wit in the crowd yelled, "I am here too!"

George answered, "Yes, but you're not all here," and incidentally rubbed his forehead.

However, Dr. Aked said the prize one was when Lloyd George was delivering an address for "Home Rule All Around," that is, home rule in Scotland, and Ireland and Wales and England. He said, "I'm for home rule for Ireland! (mild applause) I'm for home rule for Scotland! (louder applause) I'm for home rule for gallant little Wales!" (deafening applause).

Just as quiet came, a voice yelled out, "I'm for home rule for Hell!"

Lloyd George answered, "So am I, and I always like to see a man stand up for his own country."

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?

"In my case one side was totally paralyzed as a result of the explosive bullet which hit me. For long I suffered torture with the weight of my knapsack pressing into the gaping hole below my right lung through which the bullet had exploded.

At last I chewed through the strap of it, and at length too, I was able with my left hand, feeble though its movements were, to loosen the string of the emergency dressing with which every soldier's tunic is equipped in a concealed pocket. I was able to plug roughly and only temporarily the bleeding gash. What if the supply of emergency dressings had given out before reaching me. If all the Red Cross workers who handle surgical dressings could realize even to half the extent, the importance, the vital importance of their work, there would be three women to each job where there is only one now.

"You may save the life of your own son, husband, brother, or sweetheart by commencing to work for the Red Cross within the next hour."

—from "Crusaders of Today" by Private Peat, in the Red Cross Magazine of March, 1918.

Life is one fool thing after another.

Love is two fool things after each other.

—Ex.

Irate Father—Keep still, Willie; can't you see I'm trying to turn the motor over?

Willie—What for, dad? Are you going to spank it?

The physician was giving an informal talk on physiology—

"Also," he remarked, "it has recently been found that the human body contains sulphur."

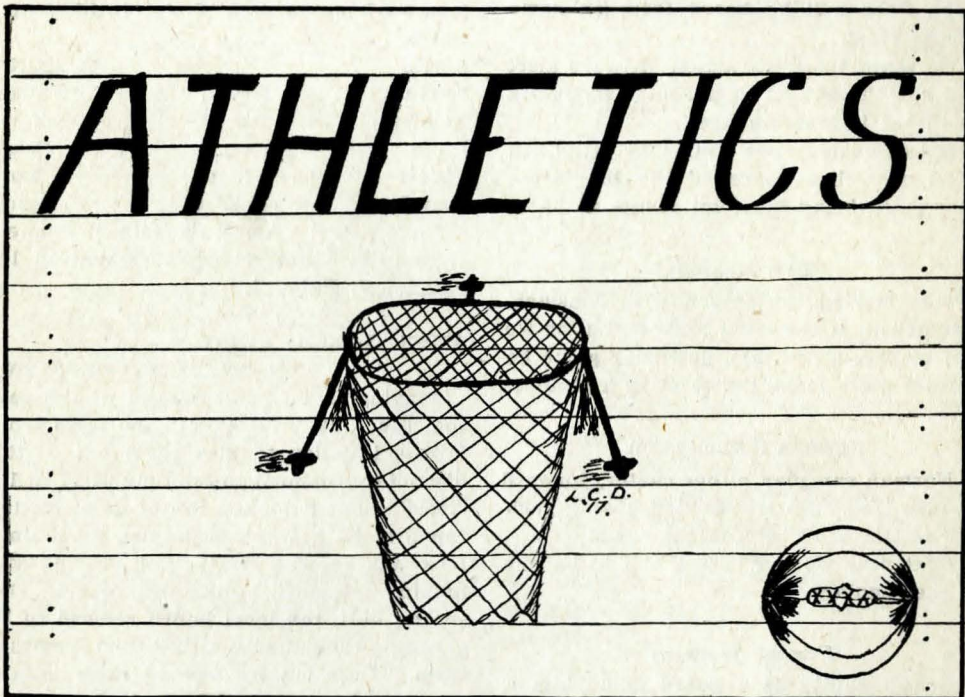
"Sulphur!" exclaimed the girl in the blue and white blazer. "And how much sulphur is there in a girl's body?"

"Oh, the amount varies," said the doctor, smiling, "according to the girl."

"Oh," returned the girl, "and is that why some of us make better matches than others."

"Willie," said the teacher, "can you tell me what happens when a man's temperature goes down as far as it can go?"

"Please, mum," replied Willie, "he would have cold feet."



THE TEAM

Roy Bennett

First year as a regular on the team, at times showed remarkable ability. With two more years to play he should develop into an exceptionally good forward.

He was third on the team in scoring points with 22.

Earl Elliott

With speed beyond the city ordinance and a liking for games beyond the pink tea relm. Earl played a commendable running guard.

He was several places at the same time, and the longer he played the faster he traveled.

Next year he should be a valuable man at either guard or forward.

While his basket eye seemed to leave him at the end of the season, he had a total of 40 points.

Nevin Innes

Nevin met no center this season who could show him the altitude of the ball at

the toss. Considering his avoirdupois, he is an excellent jumper.

He scored the most points for the team, with forty-eight to his credit.

An invaluable man on offense, but lacked ability at guarding.

By the time Nev reaches his maturity he will be playing regularly on some varsity team.

Ellis Scovel

Another player with no previous experience on the first team.

Ellis played the standing guard with the ability of a veteran. Solved everything coming his way, and passed the ball with certainty.

Will make them take a submarine for baskets next year.

Lester Souvain

Acting captain, and the most valuable man to the team both on offense and defense. He has natural instinct for basket ball, and if given an opportunity on a

large floor will be heard from on some college team.

He never tires, nor quits. Always alert and has the ability to use an opportunity whenever it presents itself.

His defensive work cannot be estimated by figures, but he caged the ball often enough to bring his total points to 38.

Tom Musson

Tom started the season with considerable ability at throwing baskets, but as we had to play a five man defensive game he did not quite make the team as a regular.

Norman Corneliusson

Norman can play either center, forward or guard, and we appreciated having such a versatile substitute on the squad.

Next year we can expect him to be one of the regulars.

Eugene Watkins

Gene's ability as a guard made him a place on the squad. On a large floor he will develop into an excellent basketball player.

One remarkable change has come to the A. H. S. style of playing, which is manifested by the fact that not one player was ejected from the game by personal fouls during the entire season.

ALGONA BEATS AMES IN LOOSE GAME

The game with Algona was lost on account of the poor guarding of the local five. Scovel was unable to take care of three at once but he did his best. The Algonians were unable to hit the ring several times which held the score from being larger. Watson and Skinner were chief pointers for their five.

The floor and lack of outside lines was a hindrance to the A. H. S. fellows. Elliott and Sauvain's floor work with the help of Innes was a feature of the game. Innes and Elliott would dribble the whole length of the floor but were unable to cage the ball. Bennett fought hard and in the last half by his close guarding and

teamwork was a great factor to his teammates.

AMES		ALGONA
Sauvain	r. f.	Watson
Bennett	l. f.	Skinner
Innes	c.	Paine
Elliott	l. a.	Loss
Scovel	r. a.	Stock

Field goals: Ames, Sauvain 5, Bennett 1, Innes 6, Elliott 4; Algona—Watson 14, Skinner 7, Paine 1.

AMES LOSES FIRST

GAME IN TOURNAMENT

Playing in the poorest form of the season, the Ames five allowed the team from Missouri Valley to kick them out of the district tournament to the tune of 17 to 10. Ames' chances looked pretty good during the first half, when it seemed as if only luck was keeping Ames from scoring and helping Missouri Valley win, but in the second half, the local bunch seemed to be guarding their breath rather than the other team. Occasionally one of them would speed up, but never all five. As far as ability of the two teams is concerned, Ames should be able to put three teams on the floor that could beat Missouri Valley, but evidently it was "bad Friday" as far as the Ames team was concerned.

Scovil played a good game at guard, and most of the Missouri Valley scores were made by long shots. Elliott lead the team in the number of baskets, and Innes shot one. Ames did not have a bit of luck, but neither did it seem to try to beat its luck. There is just one consolation, and that is that Ames could have played a whole lot better, and that some other teams, take Boone for instance, lost to inferior teams, or almost did.

There is one more thing. A. H. S. rooters have got to learn that the time when rooting counts is when the team is losing. Anybody can yell when the team makes a basket, and though it would be wrong to keep silent at such times, it is worse to keep silent when the team is losing. Some real hot pep from the rooters at the right time Friday, might have won the game. Let's have it next time things look like they did at the Missouri Valley game.

PATRIOTIC SECTION

NEWS FROM THE BOYS

Jay Elliot, Rufus Hoon and Raymond Jones went to the mountains with the battery last week to practice firing. The boys took some rifles with them, and as was heard, "a barrel of shells." It was the first time any of them had seen any mountains and so they thought it great sport to be on top of a mountain and shoot rabbits below.

They stayed a week and the boys thought it was time to go before that end of the world was blown up with their firing.

Bill Ricketts in describing a New Mexican sand storm says: "Out upon this place (made for ostriches only) the wind blows 1000 miles per. Every time I took a breath I also took about a yard-and-a-half of dear old mother earth. The smallest grain of sand feels like a pin had hit you. You can feel them through your clothing.

Harvey Fitch of the U. S. N. Radio Division has just come back from his first trip over. He is on a merchantman. He speaks of the sights that he saw as being great, and the only trouble he had on land was in making the waiters of the Halets understand what he wanted. The trip going over he speaks of as being rather rough and the night they came into the sub zone, they slept in their clothes, because it was moonlight and the large ship could be easily seen. They saw no subs this trip, however.

H. Loughran is still in the hospital in England, according to recent letters. He is about well from the scarlet fever and says he is having a fine time.

William Nelson was recently in a raid across the border in which several Mexicans were killed.

Martha Lesan has been made a special reporter for the "Spirit" to handle the news from the soldiers.

The Ames boys in the 19th Trench Mortar Battery have tasted their first gas. They have been having a course of twenty-two weeks of intensive training, and every evening they have a taste of gas and gas masks.

Leonard Deal, a last year's graduate who enlisted this winter is now located at Camp Greene, North Carolina. He says the mud there is ankle deep. (Camp Greene meet Camp Cody, and I wish you to fellows would mix up a little.) He says the negroes outnumber the whites about six to one.

George McCoy writes that he is just about ready to leave the hospital where he has been for four weeks. He saw basketball and baseball games one afternoon and in the evening he saw Charlie Chaplin. He thinks the trains over in France look more like toys than real steaming trains.

Orville Apland has been promoted to the rank of a first private. He says it is because he subscribed all but three dollars of his monthly pay on installments on Liberty Bonds, and that when he asked his Captain to make arrangements to let one of them drop, the Captain thought it would be easier to promote him. He has been enjoying the mumps as well as some of us here.

Steigerwalt has transferred to a truck division.

The boys in the 19th Trench Mortar Battery are going to use motorcycles instead of horses after this.

"Shorty" Heffern writes that he had to shovel coal several hours a day for a week just because he was tardy to drill one morning. (Please do not show this to Mr. Steffey.)

HELP! BOOST!

Are you a loyal and patriotic citizen of the United States? Did you hear about the good work which is being carried on at the college? There is no safer and more patriotic way of spending your money than investing it in Thrift Stamps. You are not only saving money but loaning it to the government for the purpose of helping win the present day war. Now, none of us want to be considered slackers so why not each and every one of us buy Thrift Stamps? Our High has now a one-hundred per cent membership in the Red Cross. Let's start a Thrift Stamp Campaign and make our school again a leader in aiding the government. **BOOST!** for a **THRIFT STAMP CAMPAIGN.**

THE U. S. BOYS' WORKING RESERVE

The United States faces a serious problem at the present time, Labor Shortage. Men formerly engaged in productive employment have been called to defend Democracy. These men, our allies and the Americans at home must have food and supplies. Where will man-power come from to keep up the productive work necessarily dropped by the drafted and enlisted men?

To cope with this difficulty the U. S. Dep't. of Labor under authority of Congress has organized the U. S. Boys' Working Reserve. The purpose of the organization is to help win the war by keeping up the productive work on the farm and elsewhere.

Now you Boys of Ames High School you have had an opportunity to join this Work-

ing Reserve. Are you going to do it? Even if you haven't much experience in farm work you surely can learn, so join. This is no "kid" organization, it's a man's job we're facing and we have to make good. There are about four million boys of the eligible age in the U. S., and Ames has her share among them. We've all got to pitch in and help Uncle Sam with his big load. On the boys of High School age a great deal depends. They must get on farms and take the place of older boys. It's up to you boys of Ames High School, join the Reserves!

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS TAKING DRILL

Some of the boys at the first of the year asked permission to form a company of High School cadets, but it was learned that Gen. Lincoln would allow them to drill at the college if they would wear the regulation suit. Four of the High School boys have taken advantage of this and have been drilling regularly at the college. These boys are Frank Coulter, Sam Battel, Paul Burns and Kirk Myers.

SLACKERS

S stands for sluggard, one who won't work,
L stands for lazy the ones who will shirk,
A stands for aimless, just wanders around,
C stands for careless, wherever found,
K stands for Kaiser we're trying to beat,
E stands for everyone trying to cheat,
R finishes the slacker a fellow not true,
I've paid my dollar, say have you?

If you are one of the nine who has not paid his dollar, hadn't you better take it to Mr. Steffey right away?

Extracts of a Letter from Gifford Terry To Mr. A. J. Steffey

I have my "A" sweater along with me as a companion and it certainly makes a good one. I like to get it out of my bag and look at it. It brings back the memory of days gone by and friendships of two men and ten other fellows, all comrades together.

My country needed me, what else could I do but respond? Rather to go without an education than to be a slacker. The point

of view? The cold steel of an enemy bayonet, bursting shrapnel or bombs would seem sweeter than that. Some would rather be a live coward than a dead hero but I prefer the latter. May every Ames man do his duty. There is a great deal of satisfaction in knowing that he played the part of a man.

Did my history course at Ames help any? Did my Latin do me any good? I would not exchange what I learned at that grand old place for anything in the world.

Give my regards to all the student body. Tell them to work hard now and the reward will come later in life, in proportion to what they put into their course now. Are not Longfellow's words true?

"How in the flaming forge of life,
Our fortunes must be wrought,
How on the sounding anvil shaped,
Each burning deed and thought."

HELP!

Some of the boys are not getting the Spirits we are sending them. Of course some of this is on account of the mail service. We print the following addresses so that if you know of a later address you will tell us.

Rufus Hoon, Paul McNeil, Will Ricketts, Winifred Crabbs, Jay Elliot, Douglas Waitley, Don Soper, 1st M. C., 126 Field Artillery, Camp Cody, Deming, N. M.
Corp. McKinley Steigerwalt, George Dunlap, Bernice Posegate, Harold Seymour, John Taylor, Arthur Speers, Earl Quade, Lawrence Murphy, 109 Trench Mortar Batt. Camp Cody, Deming, N. M.

Chas. Shockley, Paul Hammond, Warren Reinhardt, Harold Laughran, Cecil Hamm, Sam Martin, Co. I 168 U. S. Infantry, 84 Brigade, American Expeditionary Forces.

Private Orvil Apland, Co. B. Mach. Gun Batt., Camp Funston, Kansas.

Corp. Elmer C. Jones, 31st Aero Sqd. 3d Aviation Instruction Dept., Fort Totten, Long Island, N. Y.

Harvey Fitch, Armed Guard Detail, U. S. N. Training Station, Norfolk, Va.

Floyd Mabie, Co. A. 169 Engineers, Camp Cody, Deming, N. M.

Ted Nowlin, Co. C. Gunner's Mate School, Main Training Camp, Great Lakes, Ill.
Louis E. Gray, U. S. Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Ill. Care Boat House.
Ralph C. Lewis, First Gunner's Mates Training School, Fortress Monroe.
Vaughn Hunter, Fort McDowell, Angle Island.

Lenard Stenerson, U. S. S. New York, Care P. M., N. Y. C. Radio Box E.

E. C. Heffern Co. "A" 2nd Depot Bu. S. C. Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas.

William Nelson, C. G. 8th Cavalry, Marba, Texas.

Lyle McCarty 3rd Co. Fort Ruger, Hawaiian Islands.

Clifford McCarthy ? ?

Leonard Deal, Co. K, 47 Infantry, 4th Division, Camp Greene, N. Carolina.

Corp. Gifford C. Terry, Batt. D., First A. A. Batn. A. E. F. via New York.

Chas. Nowlin, Bob Sage, Art Balingier, Batt. D, First A. A. Batn. A. E. F. via New York, Care Corp. Gifford C. Terry.

Teacher (to little boy)—Freddie Brooks are you making faces at Nellie Lyon?

Freddie Brooks—Please, teacher, no Ma'am, I was trying to smile and my face slipped.

Teacher—Why is the demand for hen's eggs rather than ducks.

Brilliant Youngster—When a duck lays an egg she just waddles off as if nothing had happened. When a hen lays an egg there's an awful noise. You see the hen advertises.

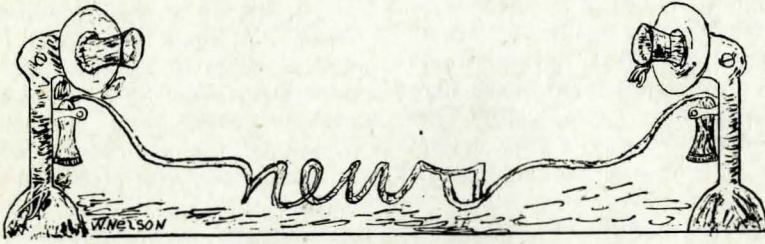
Some one asked an old colored man what breed of chickens he considered best, and he replied: "All kinds has merits. De white ones is de easiest to find, but de black ones is de easiest to hide after you gits 'em."

"How did Blank lose the fingers of his right hand?"

"Put them in the horse's mouth to see how many teeth he had."

"And then what happened?"

"The horse closed his mouth to see how many fingers Blank had."



ANNUAL TO RUN BIG CONTEST

Who is the most influential, prettiest and most popular girl in A. H. S.? If you know already, you will have a chance to convince everybody that you are right. You know, somebody might not agree with you.

The next issue of the Spirit will announce ten contestants to be selected by some of the teachers. Other girls will be added to this list if their friends secure a petition with twenty-five signers, at least ten boys and ten girls and one teacher among the signers. A girl does not have to qualify in all of these lines, but the best all around girl will have the best chance of winning.

The voting days will also be announced later. Everybody that signs up for the Annual and pays half of its price down will get a vote. You can vote as often as you want to. The names of the contestants will be kept before the high school by write-ups in the Spirit. The four highest will be shown on a page of the Annual.

Now is the time to start to back your favorite. Pick your girl and back her to the limit.

Who is the most active, prettiest, and most popular girl in school? We will know when the Annual comes out.

Freshmen Give the Funniest Program Yet

The Freshmen had charge of the assembly Wednesday and they sure gave us a good one. Marjorie Beam, their President, opened the program with a scriptural reading and prayer. A farce, "The Barrington's at Home", acted by Neva Spence, Agnes Noble, Ted Kooser and Clarence Bolton, kept the whole school laughing. Clarence Goddard showed his ability as a

violin player even though he did have a hard time with his music. Vera Grover kept the school laughing at her reading and roaring at her encore. The closing number was a piano solo by Myrle Garretson.

We will applaud the Freshmen once more for this program.

DECLAMATORY CONTEST

Though we haven't done much in Athletics
And we didn't win the Debate;
Just wait till we reach Rockwell City,
Then, watch us run with the prize of the State.

Friday, March 15, Frances Holm will arrive in Rockwell City to represent Ames in the Declamatory Contest. There will be (fifteen? twelve) schools represented and it will be a hard won victory, but we are equal. The two winners from each class will be sent to the next contest. The town has not yet been decided on.

EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING

The Extemporaneous Speaking contest will be held at Fonda, Saturday, March 16. It was to have been held last Friday but was postponed. Miss Williams has not received any further information as to where the next contest is to be held, how many schools are competing, etc., but that really doesn't count much after all when we know that we will be well represented. This is a new thing for Iowa and especially for Ames, but nevertheless, we will make a good showing as we always do.

Grace—"I didn't accept Walter the first time he proposed."

Gladys—"No, you weren't there."—Ex.

FOR SENIORS ONLY

Time: Within next two weeks.

Sitting: In Quade's Studio—The Seniors.

(Enter Sweet Smiles and Direful Calamity.)

Sweet Smiles—Please get your picture taken before a week from Monday—

Direful Calamity—If you don't I'll—

Sweet Smiles—And wear your nicest clothes so you'll look nicer than anybody else. You know graduation is coming and lots of people will want a good picture of you.

Direful Calamity—If you try to come around in anything but your glad rags, I'll—

S. Smiles—Mr. Quade has kindly offered to take these pictures for fifty cents apiece, which means that he will lose money if almost all of you don't have a dozen or so finished.

D. Calamity—If you don't show your gratitude to Mr. Quade I'll—

S. Smiles—And if you happen to see any members of the Spirit Staff around tell them the news too.

D. Calamity—Do what she tells you to do or I'll—

S. Smiles—If you don't get your pictures taken before next Monday I'll cry

D. Calamity—And I'll—Grr rr—r—rr—r— (Stage talk for anger)

(Seniors rush in front of the camera to be "shot" rather than disappoint the beautiful lady or suffer Grr—r.)

ARTISTS' CONTEST

The Annual offers a subscription and a brand new dollar bill for the best cover design for the Annual. Each class will want some drawing for its special page. We want a full page design for the Senior section, a good news head, a Joke head, a design for the snap-shot section, and would like to have some panel designs submitted. The panel design must be very simple it is to be used as a back ground for the senior pictures. The big thing about these drawings is that they must be rushed in at once, that means, in at least two weeks.

Y. W. C. A.

Girls! All ye who love good times and rare sports. If you don't already belong to the Y. W. C. A., do so at once. The Y. W. need **your** support and **your** co-operation in order to be a success. If you don't put something into it, you can't expect to get anything out of it.

The new committees have been appointed for this semester and are already busy planning good things for the girls in the way of helpful and interesting meetings, and outdoor entertainment. Some of the bi-weekly meetings are going to be discussional, which gives each girl a chance to take part and with the least self-conscience. The meeting on Thursday, March 7, was a discussional one, dealing with the handicaps of life, after which a recognition meeting was held for the girls who had not as yet been recognized as members of the society.

The following are some of the good times which are coming as soon as the weather permits:

Pageant.

Outdoor Geneva Meeting.

Picnics and hikes

Senior Girl Meeting.

Speaker: Bulgarian girl.

NEWS

Kodi Camp Fire meets Saturday. Don't forget. It's a Ceremonial Meeting.

Girls! You have been asked, coaxed, teased and begged to come to Red Cross. The next thing you will be commanded. Wake up to your duty and don't make a command necessary. Saturday afternoon 2:30 to 5.

Nervous Breakdowns (not serious, of course), etc, seem to be quite popular.

Marie Mortensen entertained eight girls at her home Friday, March 1.

THE FATE OF PRESIDENTS

"Mother," said a small boy I know, "do you know what they do with presidents when they get through with them?"

"No," I replied, "I don't."

"They freeze them stiff and put them up in parks," he replied.

HICKS AT CONVENTION

Professor Hicks attended the annual meeting of the Superintendents' National Association held at Atlantic City, N. J. The meeting was not as largely attended as in previous years, due to the fact that the place where it was originally to be held, has been given over to a National Guard Camp, and it was impossible to secure the necessary facilities to hold the convention there.

The convention, as a whole, felt the seriousness of the war situation. Educational problems were discussed. It was the unanimous opinion of the delegates, that school work should continue during vacation. Also, that the schools should do everything to co-operate, fit in and work out the problems of the government.

Every boy and girl ought to stay in school for after this world's war, there is going to be a great demand for better training than ever before. In conclusion, rather than shirk your school work, give it more time than ever before.

BE UP TO DATE

A few years ago the general belief was that the "Y" was composed only of weak kneed, frail, unearthly men, always carryng a big bible and looking upward. Now everybody knows that this is not the case. The country is waking up to the fact that some of the biggest, most active men are back of this movement. One of the good results of this war is the way the soldiers are learning to respect the Y. M. C. A. and what it stands for.

Ask most any soldier where the best all-around fellows will be found in leisure moments and he will tell you without doubt that it is at the "Y" Hut. If a soldier is looking for a real friend, if he is homesick, if he is down and out, where does he go? To the "Y." Lots of fellows that used to knock the "Y" would now place it a close second to Uncle Sam and home. The soldiers know what the real purpose of the "Y" is friendship. Not the kind of friendship that stands by a fellow as long as he spends money but the kind that really starts when he needs help. The "Y" stands for

friendship for everybody, not just for those that attend meetings, but also for those that don't; the kind of friendship that made Jesus die on the cross.

If these fellows in the army know that the "Y" is made up of real men and stands for the things that they must admire, whether they live up to them or not, it seems as if the school boys that think the "Y" is only a training school for preachers and a place for the weaklings are only kidding themselves. If you were applying for a job would it be against you or for you to be able to say that you were a member of the Hi Y. When you stop and think, it seems as if the business men realize that belonging to a "Y" doesn't hurt a boy at all. And the business men aren't the only ones that have found this out. Boys, you know that your mother is your best friend, and you know that she would rather have you at a "Y" meeting than almost any place else. "Everybody's doin' it" when it comes to backing the "Y." Don't be the last one to get in line. If you don't have a good time when you turn out to the "Y" tonight, it won't be because there is nothing doing.

"Won't you come out to 'Y,' "
Says your good old friend "Hi."

"Farmers," said the fair city visitor, "are just as dishonest as the city milkmen."

"How do you make that out?" asked the farmer's wife.

"This morning," said the girl accusingly, "with my own eyes I saw your hired man water the cows before he milked them."—Ex.

"This here boy," said the proud mother to a neighbor, "certainly grows more like his father every day."

And the neighbor, knowing the father, inquired anxiously, "And have you tried everything?"—Ex.

Inspired Poet—"Ah! Listen to that apple tree sigh and groan!"

Boy—"I bet you'd sigh and groan too, if you were as full of green apples as that tree is."—Ex.



"I wonder, dear, if I shall lose my looks too, when get to be your age?"

"You'll be lucky if you do," snapped the other lady.

Miss Mills—"Why did Rachel send Henry Esmond to college?"

Lester S.—"To get an education. (Quit your kiddin.)"

John—"I don't see why eggs are so expensive—they don't use them to fight with."

James—"Yes, but they use the shells. Now—that's a yoke." (yolk).

At the dedication of a new fire engine in a little town on the Massachusetts coast, the following toast was proposed: "May she be like the dear old maids of our village; always ready, but never called for."

Georgia was making preparations for her doll's birthday party and her brother stood by her helplessly, receiving instructions. "Oh, Palmer," she exclaimed suddenly, "first we must take this child over to church and have her criticised."

Joe Anderson was giving a report in class. When he finished Miss Stewart asked for criticisms.

"His position was bad," was one of the criticisms offered.

"Yes, Joe." Do you know what was the matter with your position?"

Joe—"I don't know, I couldn't see."

Homer T., asking for volunteers in Latin Class.

Lucile N.—"Homer, did you get my hand?"

First Arkansan—Was your house damaged by the cyclone?

Second Arkansan—Dunno; I haven't found it yit.

Miss Miller—"Willis are you in favor of high or low taxes?"

Willie B.—"High taxes. I haven't got any property."

A Kansan sat on the beach at Atlantic City watching a fair and very fat bather disporting herself in the surf. He knew nothing of tides and he did not notice that each succeeding wave came a little closer to his feet. At last an extra big wave washed over his shoe tops. "Hey, there!" he yelled at the fair, fat bather. "Quit your jumpin' up and down. Dye want to drown me."

His ignorance of history recently shocked one of the women friends of a young Buffalo society man. It was after a dinner party at his house and she was telling him what she had learned in her private history class. One thing led to another and all the time he was getting into deeper water. At last she surprised him by inquiring: "Now, tell me Mr. Blank, what are the Knights of the Bath?" He stammered for a while and finally blurted out: "Why, Saturday nights, I suppose."

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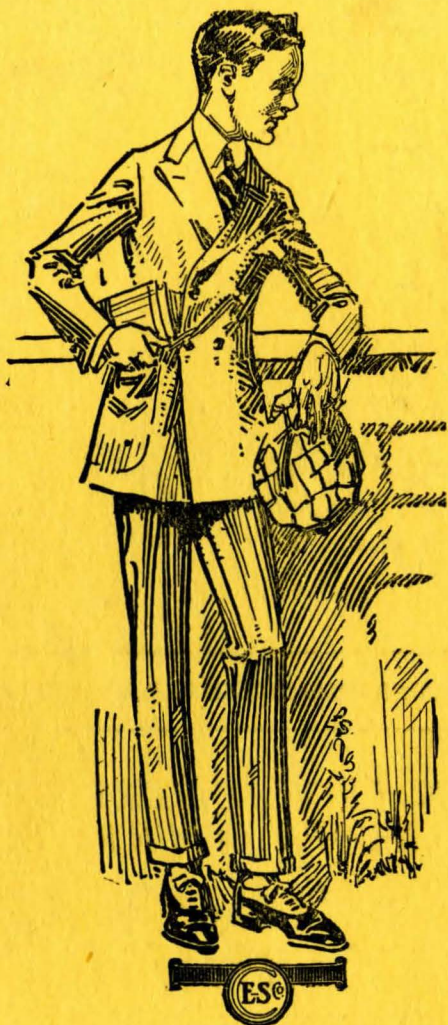
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FIRST TEN CONTESTANTS

ARE SELECTED

The first ten contestants for the popularity contest as selected by a committee of teachers are:

Dorothy Harriman
Gilberta Luke
Beatrice Olsan
Dorothy McCarroll
Lucille Lang
Edith Wallis
Marjorie Beam
Ethelyn Colburn
Fern Grover
Theresa Judge

Other girls are to be selected by petitions signed by ten boys, ten girls one teacher and four other people connected with the high school in anyway. These petitions must be in before the Monday of the week that the next Spirit comes out, and the complete list will be given then, and the place and time of election announced.

If the interest seems to warrant it, the pictures of the four highest will be put in the annual, at least the girls will get a very prominent place.

Back your girl to the limit! If she isn't on yet, see about that petition, if she is, boost about her.

ATHLETIC DOPE

How many boys want to be athletes? Hands please. Well, since you want to be an athlete, which way do you figure on it is best to start? Peg along yourself, or let the best coaches in the country tell you how?

A bunch of high school boys figure just the way you figure, so they have been taking advantage of the best series of athletic talks ever given in the high school. Clyde Williams gave the talk when he talked on "What it takes to make an athlete." He started out with training. All year-round training. He advised the boys to cut out smoking entirely until they were of age. He said the man that does not train can get by for a certain time, but he has to pay dearly in the end. He cited several personal examples showing this fact. In training, he included over-eating,

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THRIFT STAMPS

Say, you: Obey those posters you see in the halls. Buy thrift stamps. Those quarters, that go to luxuries can do a great deal more good in Uncle Sam's possession. When your money and interest is paid back to you, the saving habit will have a pretty good hold on you and you'll thank the government for helping you save. The various classes are rivals in the campaign. At the time of printing the standing is as follows:

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VOLLEY BALL TOURNAMENT

The different teams drew to see who they should play. The 1st hour played the 4th hour and was defeated. The 2nd hour played one of the 5th hour teams and the latter emerged victorious. The 3rd hour was defeated by the other 5th hour team. This left the 4th hour and the two 5th hour teams to play in the finals. In the finals the 4th hour was defeated by one of the 5th hour teams and the same fifth hour team was defeated by the other 5th hour team. This left the 5th hour team of which Naomi Fitch is captain, the champion of the tournament

The line up of the champion team was:

Naomi Fitch (captain)
Millie Lerdall
Willamette Olson
Lillian Kelsoe
Carolyn Crosby
Ardella Pike

BOYS WORKING RESERVE

About forty boys have signed up for the "Working Reserve." That is surely helping carry out A. H. S. part in this war game. Uncle Sam has made an urgent call to the High School boys of America, and those forty Ames boys are showing the right spirit. They are to be praised for working hard to speed up in order to give Uncle Sam four or five

months of much needed labor. Don't sit in the shade all summer and play a "uke" but help your Uncle Sam.

ATHLETICS

After looking over the past, we find that the basketball season was fairly successful taking into consideration that all the team but two were new men. The first game of the season was lost to Boone on the local floor by the score of 11 to 7. The following game was with Toledo which was won by A. H. S. the score being 43 to 10. The "Old Grads" showed the local five that they could play the ball yet, by holding the score down to 34 to 23. The following week a trip was made to Boone in which the A. H. S. five lost again to Boone. Score being 21 to 6. Nevada was Ames' next victim. We beat them 35 to 21. Algona was the next game at Algona. They beat by a thirteen point margin, 46 to 33. The next game was lost to Missouri Valley in the tournament at the college. Score being 17 to 10. Though the scores after comparing were not to the advantage very much but we are proud to say we had a team that would fight from start to finish and they were always there with the fight.

The next year's team will suffer the loss of Innes who was able to out jump all his opponents and was able to shoot baskets. Savvain will also be sadly missed. The team will miss him because of his team work and basket shooting. Next year there will be Elliott, Scovel, Bennett, Cornelleiseen Hoon, Anderson and Thornburg who will bid well for a varsity that cannot be beaten.

One thing the team cannot overlook and that is the loyal backers of A. H. S. There was a loyal bunch to back the team every place they played. The fellows sure appreciated it and it was a great factor in winning the games they did. It also put the fight in the fellows so that they could give a scrap to opponents and make them win their points. It sure was a great support and never will be forgotten that the Old A. H. S. has some Pep.

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EDITORIAL

We are on the last lap of the school year and in many ways the hardest. This is certainly the time "when a feller needs a friend." The old spring fever is back on the job and is apt to sieze anyone. "Guess I won't study tonight, too nice. I worked hard so far so I'll let up a bit now, and slide in." Don't do that, stick close to your studies and play everything up in A1 Style. It pays. Try it.

Why We Should Have High School Dances.

For the last two years, the pupils and teachers have been trying to come together on some plan that will unite the student body and bring students and teachers closer together.

I firmly believe that High School dances under the control of the school would help to do this thing.

These dances would furnish enjoyment to a large per centage of the student body. They would furnish a place for High School students who care to dance, where there would be no question of bad influences. They would also be a means of getting the students better acquainted.

K. J.

MORE ATHLETICS FOR GIRLS

For a long time I have wondered why boys are so far ahead of girls in athletics. Now, I have come to a conclusion as to the reason for this. The girls have never had the backing that the boys have had. As Mr. Steffy says, "The girls are the ones who do all the rooting at the football and basketball games."

Still the boys laugh and say there is only "baby stuff" in a girls' basketball game. Just the other day, I heard a boy say that a girl does is to stand under the basket with no one near her, and toss the ball in. This may be partly true in playing by girls rules, but why do we need to play by girls' rules.

There must be some way to start more activities for girls. The volley ball tournament, which has just been completed, was the very thing for our high school. Possibly it has awakened the girls who really have the knack for such activities, but have never realized the fact. Then, too, maybe the boys have seen for themselves that girls can do some-

thing worth while in athletics as well as they can.

However if the boys do not care to support us, we will try and work out something by ourselves.

THAT ALL-HI DANCE

Where is that dance we were talking about- Is it going to be merely a topic of conversation? Why don't we take up that little saying about "No sooner said than done?" We have still a spark in the fire, are we going to smother it out with words, or put on some real fuel?

Let's have at least one All High Schools good time. There has been nothing of that kind all year, and the year is almost gone. Soon the Seniors will be so busy with their Class Play, and many graduating activities that they won't be able to go, if it isn't in the near future.

Suggestions for High School Dances

Why not have an informal dance in the Gym every Friday afternoon, 3:30 to 5:30, each class holding sway once a month, girls dancing with girls if they wanted to, and music to be furnished by either a piano or a small orchestra. Of course this would have variations, such as one class entertaining another, holding dances in the evenings at certain times, and possibly in another place, an invitation dance, masquerade dance, etc.

This idea is far from being original. Many people are already in favor of it. Won't you back it with a student opinion?

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The Slater Basket Ball team that was due to appear on the local floor last Friday cancelled the game, since two of their stars had left school. The Sophs were confident of trimming them again so are a little peevish at the cancelation.

Datus Proper, Norris Brintnall and Bill Davis, are spending the week at home. They have just returned from Honolulu, and are on their way to Fort Monroe, Va.

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NEWS

Margaret Sloss was not at school last Tuesday on account of a slight attack of appendicitis.

Lucile Nickles dislocated her toe playing Volley ball last week and was out of school for a number of days. Even yet we notice she limps.

Veronica and Bernard Morissey have been out of school for the last two weeks because their home is under quarantine for Small Pox.

Miss Fickle was taken seriously ill at school last Friday morning. She was taken to the teachers rest room as she could not stand the trip home.

Gertrude Sies entertained a number of girl friends at her home last Saturday night.

Miss Williams left last Friday for her home because of the illness of her father.

Miss Coffey and Miss Coskery spent last week end in Des Moines.

Lucile Lang and Ardella Pike motored to Nevada last Tuesday to see Mabel McCord.

The Y. W. C. A. was to have a meeting Thursday in the Auditorium but Miss Fisher who was to talk was ill, so the never daunted Y. W. girls planned a hike in less than five minutes and they had a fine time, too.

The Declamatory Contest was held at Rockwell City Friday, March 15th. The Judges gave first place in the Dramatic section to Irene McMillan of Manson, and second place to Frances Holm of Ames. However, when the averages were sent Thursday the judges found a mistake and gave Frances third place. It seems rather queer that competent judges couldn't get the correct average at first. They always get Ames mixed up some way in the Declamatory contest.

The juniors had a party in the Gym, Friday, March 22nd for the boys who leave after vacation to enter the Boys Working Reserve. Takes the Juniors to show the rest a little class spirit.

Y. W. C. A.

The Y. W. C. A. is showing more than ever that it is a live organization in Ames High Thursday, March 14, a discussional meeting was held in the auditorium at 3:30 o'clock. The topic was "Handicaps For Girls" about seventy-five girls participated in a good discussion of this. Another meeting was planned for March 21st at which Miss Fisher was to talk on "Vocations For Girls." However, as she was unable to come the girls enjoyed a hike and a picnic instead.

We have been looking into the fu-

ture also and many good things for the rest of the year have been planned. Miss Fisher speaks April 4th, instead of March 21st as was previously announced and other discussional meetings will probably follow soon. An outdoor pageant may come in April or May, and hikes as well as other good times are being planned. So the Y. W. girls may look forward to plenty of enjoyment along with their regular work.

NEWS OF OUR SOLDIER BOYS

The boys at the Great Lakes who were under quarantine have been given a two weeks vacation for recuperation.

Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Spears (mothers of John Taylor and Arthur Spears) left the 20th for Camp Cody for a short visit.

Ted Nowlin who is at the Great Lakes, is reported to be improving slowly.

Only ten boys passed the last test for qualification in rapid firing given to the 109th Trench Mortar Battery. Among the "lucky ones" were three of our H. S. boys: George Dunlap,

Harold Seymour and Lawrence Murphy. The rate of firing was ten shots per minute.

The boys in France report that the weather is changing quite a little now and that they are having regular American weather.

Ted Nowlin who is at the Great Lakes, is reported to be improving slowly.

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LITERARY PROGRAM

Friday, March, the freshmen and sophomores held their literary program in the auditorium. Different subjects were chosen to be discussed by the pupils. This phase of the work would have been much more successful if more of the pupils would have volunteered to give their views on the different subjects. The sophomores won in the debate, but this was no fault of the freshmen for they certainly worked hard enough. Some people may think a literary program a joke, others may laugh, but most of us wish it would come once a week.

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and made the statement that more people die of over-eating than of starvation. When it comes to trying out for a team, keep yourself before the coach, make him notice you, is Clyde's advice. Be an all around athlete while in high school, don't develop just one kind of muscle, for when you find your special line in college athletics, you will have to be graceful and quick, is some more of his advice.

Ned Merriam speaking on "The average high school boy's chance of making good in College athletics," made the statement that every boy's chances were exceptionally good if the boy would work for a place on a team. He named three qualifications that all athletes must fill to be at their best—clean living, steady training and nerve. He placed nerve at the head of the list, and speaking largely about track said, that it took more nerve for the average fellow than football and wrestling because there was not the personal contact to urge the athlete on. He also boosted for clean living the whole year round, and used examples of athletes that had got by for a time with only training in season, and then having a sudden collapse. By steady training, he meant regular and hard exercise every day in the athletes special line. In taking up the average boy's chance he said that a good coach could develop almost everything but nerve.

Tonight, Rodgers of the Physical Training Department of the College, a man recognized everywhere as an expert on matters of building up the body, speaks on "BUILDING UP FOR ATHLETICS." 7:30. Open to all boys.

Jane Bell of Nevada was visiting in Ames with Alice McCarthy last Sunday.



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Miss Mills has been absent from A. H. S. for the last two weeks on account of the serious illness of her mother. We are all hoping she will be back after spring vacation and save the Seniors from destruction, especially the 7th hour class.

Rosella Carberry intends to motor to her home in Panora next week if the weather permits.

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HIGH SCHOOL PICNIC

"Hurrah! A High School Picnic." "Isn't that fine?" Friday, the 26th of April, an all High Picnic will be held in the wood north of town. All pupils will be required to report at the building at 8:45 and cars will be waiting to carry us all. You are required to attend this picnic, as it is on Friday. If you fail to report you will be counted absent and given a zero for the day's work.

The following Committees have been appointed to carry out the plans:

General Committee—

Miss Gates
Miss Stewart
Joe Anderson
Kirk Myers
Edith Wallis

Eats Committee—

Miss Miller
Miss Boyd
Marie Judge
Dorothy Harriman
Lester Gray
Ethelyn Colburn

Games and Amusements—

Mr. Thompson
Miss Barnes
Lucile Lang
Dorothy McCarroll
Lester Sauvain
Joe Anderson

Transportation Committee—

Miss Thornburg
Mr. Singer
Norman Corneillensen
Don Smith
Harriet Tilden
Robert Potter

Now! to make this a success, we want the co-operation of every pupil. We are all planning on a good time, and it depends on Y-O-U whether we have it. "Do Your Bit."

ON THE SEA

She was leaning o'er the rail
And was looking deathly pale,
Was she looking for a whale?
Not at all.

She was papa's only daughter,
Casting bread upon the water
In a way she hadn't oughter,
That was all.—Ex.

RESERVE WORK

Many of our boys have felt the call to patriotic duty and for the last month, we have seen them deeply absorbed in study. Many times we have heard that it is the duty of High School boys to remain at home, finish their education and be ready for all responsibilities which will come later on. However, it is exceedingly hard for a red-blooded, patriotic American not to be doing something definite for his country. Thus when Uncle Sam sent out a call for the Working Reserve about thirty of our Ames High School boys answered willingly to the call.

The following have left to work on farms: Eugene Watkins, Earl Johnson, Harry Stewart, Ted Jones, Nevin Innes, Lester Johnson, Edgar Jacobson, Waldo McDowell, Roy Bennett, Jona Tesdall, Marvin Sogard, Forrest Clark, Edward Judge, Donald Finch, George Puffett, Byron Gunder, Wayne Cupps, Roy Hess, Ferrel Safley and Victor Beach.

BIG STAG PICNIC

The boys of the High School will be hosts of the eighth grade boys at a big annual stag picnic under the auspices of the High "Y" Club, tomorrow from right after school till dark. Before supper Bob Thompson will have charge of a field meet in which all the boys will get a chance to show what they can do. A baseball game, boxing, wrestling, and a soccer game will also find a place on the program before the eats which will consist of buns, weenies, apples, pickles and marshmallows. Most of the money will come from the "Y" treasury, but the hat will be passed to the high school boys with the limit running from a smile to a dime.

After supper there will be stories and talks around the fire. Some good "chatter" from "Y" headquarters will be here with something that will interest all the boys. Whether you have any interest in "Y" or not, come out to the picnic and give the eighth grade boys and yourself a good time.

POPULARITY CONTEST

The voting in the popularity contest will take place next Wednesday in the lower halls. "Bud" Gray has this contest in charge, as well as the working up of the circulation of the Annual. The contest is to be run in connection with orders of the Annual, and the pictures of the winning two or three girls will appear in the Annual Beauty Section.

Everybody that orders an Annual and deposits the twenty-five cents which must accompany every order will be given two votes. Everybody that pays the full fifty cents for the Annual gets three votes. Regular subscribers will get a twenty per cent rebate, that is, they can get three votes and an Annual for forty cents, or else pay only fifteen cents when they get their Annual May twenty-sixth. Anyone who gets ten or more orders for Annuals from people not connected directly with the High School will be allowed full voting power on all such subscriptions and will be given an Annual free provided the orders are in before Friday of next week. Outside orders ought not to be hard to get for the Annual will contain pictures of all the boys in the service, and Seniors and under classmen, as well as complete reviews of the year from every standpoint, and much original "stuff" that will be interesting to everyone that knows any high school people or has sympathy with young folks.

Pick out your girl from the list below, back her to the limit, and show that Ames has got the "old pep." From the following list, the prettiest, most popular, and most influential girls in Ames High School will be chosen next Wednesday:

Neva Snook
Beatrice Olsan
Lucile Lang
Dorothy McCarroll
Ethelyn Colburn
Gilberta Luke
Fern Grover
Dorothy Harriman
Edith Wallis
Theresa Judge
Marjorie Beam

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IT'S UP TO THE GIRLS

Anybody with half an eye can see how plainly "it's up to the girls now." Of course, at all times the girls count more than the boys think they do, and have enough direct or indirect influence to make or break anything, but now there is no mere "of course" to it. When we came back to school with out best boys in the service, it was up to the girls and the boys that were left, to do their best, and things have been accomplished, but now all the older boys are going, except a very few who for various reasons can't, and it is up to the girls alone.

There is only one thing now worth considering, and that is the war and our part in winning it. Everything else is small and selfish. Girls the boys over there are doing more than their bit, the boys who have gone on the farms have gone to hard work, aching muscles and often monotony much worse than school. It's up to you! You may be giving more than seems your share, but you can not do too much! Are there going to be enough bandages when the Allied drive comes? Is money wasted on clothes and idle pleasure going to cost the lives of our forty-one because they did not have proper equipment and ammunition? IT'S UP TO YOU, GIRLS. WHAT IS YOUR ANSWER?

STUDENT OPINION

I have been keenly interested in and deeply concerned about, the recent agitation for a dancing Ames High School. I think that for the most part, those who have favored the introduction of this form of amusement have been prompted largely by the desire to provide some social amusement which would promote a broader acquaintanceship and a more democratic spirit among the students of Ames High. If such is the spirit of those who have agitated this subject, and if they are willing to subject their own desires to the good of the whole high school, their agitation is taken in a most friendly and sympathetic spirit, and they should be answered either favorably or unfavorably. Such is the purpose of this article.

When we say "for the good of all concerned," whom do we mean? The school is a community institution

and as such is provided for you as pupils, by the people of the community, and the responsibility for its successful running is placed upon the school board, the superintendent and the teachers. Then in considering the introduction into our high school, of such a far reaching social custom and one about which there are such varying opinions, we should be guided largely by the beliefs, the influences and the interests of these groups.

After reading the articles in the Spirit relative to the dance and upon hearing the discussion which immediately followed, I started to investigate this subject from these three angles. First, I talked with various students to find out what the student sentiment is in this matter. As a result of this inquiry, I found that there is not a united sentiment favoring dancing in Ames High School. Many students favor it because they think it would promote a broader acquaintanceship and more democratic spirit here, while others oppose it because they think it would serve just the opposite purpose and provide amusement for only a limited number.

In the second place, I investigated this question from the stand point of the teachers, and here again I found a division of opinion. By no means were all agreed that it would be advisable to introduce dancing as a form of amusement in Ames High School.

Then I inquired from principals of fifteen representative schools about the size of, or larger than, Ames (Continued on Page 3.)

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High School, asking them to state whether or not dancing was sanctioned in their high schools, and to give reasons for favoring or opposing this form of amusement.

Again, I found a wide difference of opinion. In some of the very large schools of the state located in cities such as Davenport, Mason City, and Keokuk dancing is allowed, but in high schools nearer our size, such as Boone, Marshalltown, Grinnell, Newton, Indianola, Ft. Dodge, and Red Oak dancing is not allowed. The reasons given in opposition to dancing in high school in practically every case was that it is a questionable amusement—that is an amusement upon which, by no means, a majority of people agree that it is right and best—and, since the school is a community institution and for the entire people, there should be introduced no questionable amusement, in which all of the people or at least a majority could not participate.

Since these facts exist it would be far more desirable to compromise on some forms of amusement upon which practically everyone is agreed and in which practically all can participate. Any such amusements would have the hearty support of practically all pupils, parents, and authorities and would promote a broader, acquaintanceship, and a more democratic and friendly spirit among every one concerned.

Furthermore, it would not stir up opposition in the community among people who would seriously object to the dance and as a result would refuse to lend such unselfish support to the high school as they have given in the past.

To provide for this, all high school social stunt which will meet the approval and support of all, a picnic has been planned. This, I believe, will furnish a good time for all and will be questioned by none. Since investigation has proved that the dance is not possible or advisable, (under the circumstances,) let's all get together and boost for a good time and the success of the picnic Friday, April 26.—A. J. S.

SPRING ATHLETICS

With track, football and tennis in progress from now to the end of May each boy can find something in the way of athletic work to keep him from getting the spring fever or loafitis.

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Tuesday and Friday there will be track practice on the college track. The first track meet will be the home meet for the Jeansen cup. This event will be put on as soon as the boys are in condition for it. The best track boys in their respective events will be sent to some of the invitation and state meets if they become good enough to make a good showing.

The spring tennis tournament will start immediately. All those wishing to compete should hand their names to Mr. Thompson before Friday noon of this week as he intends to post pairings by Friday, 3:30.

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NEWS

Ada Meltzer and Mabel Rogers were Des Moines visitors Saturday.

Edna Wearth has decided to try double harness. We sincerely hope she finds it a success.

Lucille Lang motored to St. Anthony Thursday evening.

Miss Barnes is back in school again. Her pupils have enjoyed teaching her classes in gymnasium.

In Ag.—How do your stamp out the Hessian fly?

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May 10

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HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

Ames, Iowa, Friday, May 10, 1918

CAST OF CHARACTERS

Alexis Petrovitch, a Journeyman (afterward Gustave, Count Woroffski) Barclay Noble Poleska, His wife Gilberta Luke Baroness Vladimir, His sister ..
..... Lillie Robertson Ivan, a master shoemaker
..... Lyman Osam Micheline, his daughter Edith Wallis Koulikoff Demetrovitch, Intendant of the Chateau Woroffski
..... Harold Kooser Osep, a young Peasant Lester Sauvain

FACES WANTED

There is still a bunch of soldier pictures that we have not been able to get. We want our patriotic section to be a success and each of our Ames High's Soldier Boys should be represented. If large pictures cannot be gotten snap-shots can be used. The very best care will be taken of them and they will be returned. They must be handed in this week to Gilberta Luke or Martha Leason. If you know where to get a picture of the following and will hand it in it will surely be appreciated:

Douglas Waitley
Harold Loughran
Giford Terry
Art Balingier
Ralph Lewis
Vaugh Hunter
Bill Nelson
Leonord Deal

MISS MILLS

We were all dreadfully disappointed when we heard that Miss Mills was not coming back again this year. It was, perhaps, not until then that we really and truly appreciated every effort she had put forth to help us. Her interest in us, made us do things to please her that probably otherwise would have been neglected.

If she comes back next year, and we certainly hope she may, we who are leaving will envy the Juniors!

Mrs. Anderson, who supplied for Miss Mills at first, has also left and Mrs. Childs is filling Miss Mill's place. We all welcome Mrs. Childs and hope we can learn to enjoy English literature as she does.

LUCILE LANG ASSISTANT EDITOR

Nevin Innes, who as Assistant Editor has been carrying a big part of the Spirit work, has gone to the Sand Hills of Nebraska, where he is in productive work. There is one girl in A. H. S. who has made a name for herself as being peppy and capable and willing to push everything. Lucile Lang has been selected to fill Nev's shoes, and believe me its some job. She will have charge very largely, of the Spirit.

Shh-h-h! Listen Girls! The next issue of the Spirit is to be a suffrage issue, and will be left entirely in the hands of girls. No boy's names will be found in this issue! Just remember the boys are from Missouri.

He—May I take you to the dance?
Gilberta Luke—I don't believe I can go. But I will introduce you to a very beautiful and clever girl.

He—I don't want a beautiful and clever girl—I want you.

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NO. 17

GIRLS GYM.

Have you noticed any of the girls of A. H. S. wearing a small, gold colored "A"? If you have, do you know what it stands for? Well, it may stand for three months' effort of standing in a correct position or it may mean six months' effort. You see it is this way. In gym, a girl must pass the "posture test" three successive months before she is permitted to appear outside of the gym. with that long sought for "A". If she has won it twice and fails the third time, it means she must start all over again. That is the reason she prizes it when she once is permitted to put it on her sweater and parade up and down the halls. Is it worth it, you say? Well, just ask any one you care to ask, which girls are the most attractive and which girls look the most intelligent, the one who carries her head erect and her shoulders back or the one who has her eyes cast upon the ground and her shoulders meeting in front. It will be the one who owns one of those "A's" or would own one if she were a member of some gym. class.

That is not all we have done in the old gym. this year, tho. We went in for volley ball the first of February and we came out with flying colors in our tournament which we held not long ago. One hundred and thirty-five girls from our high school are enrolled in gym. classes this semester and have learned the benefits of good wholesome play. We are not sorry we have spent those two hours each week in recreation even if we do hate the shower baths.

Every girl in school who has not been in gym. this year has missed one of the privileges that the high school has offered her. That's all we have to say!

Mabel Rodgers—You seem happy today, Ada.

Ada Meltzer—I am.

M. R.—Has E. been paying you more attention lately?

Ada M.—Oh no! But since this three cent postage came in he has stopped writing to a lot of out-of-town girls.

HICKS LEAVES AMES

Frank W. Hicks, who has been one of the best friends of A. H. S. students for the past eight years, is going to leave us. About a week and half ago, the Board in Clinton decided that Mr. Hicks was the only man to be their Superintendent of Schools. This decision came as an entire surprise to Prof. Hicks, and was entirely unsolicited. After going to Clinton to interview them last Friday, Mr. Hicks handed in his resignation to the School Board. The Board was not at all anxious to accept this resignation, but as Mr. Hicks felt that he was going to a much larger field, and had received an offer of three thousand dollars as a beginning salary, they were forced to let him go.

Mr. Hicks is not at all anxious to leave Ames, but such calls must be answered when they come. At Clinton he will have charge of one hundred teachers. We wish him success in his new position.

There has been a rumor that Mr. Steffy has been drafted, but this has little basis. Since he is married, he is listed in Class A1, and he has waived all claims for exemption. Crowder has stated that Class One will be sufficient for the drafts because of the number that are placed in this class are becoming of age every year.

However, there will be several new faces on the A. H. S. teaching force next year, if all the present "dope" proves correct.

Miss Miller (in Civics)—Did you know that people were seated in Church according to their social rank, in the Colonial times?

Marg. Nickles—Gee! I am glad it is not that way now. I am afraid I would be sitting on the floor most of the time.

Mr. Steffy (entering the water office)—Young man! Didn't I order my gas turned off?

Water Man—This is not the gas office, this is the water office.

Mr. Steffy—Well then, turn off the water. I have not time to come way down here for nothing.

POPULARITY CONTEST

A HUGE SUCCESS

Dorothy McCarroll, Beatrice Olson, and Lucile Lang were the winners in The Spirit Popularity contest. Among these three girls there is no ranking given, as this was understood as one of the restrictions placed on the contest. However, it seems that everyone in high school has decided just how the vote stood. Who the mind reader is has not yet been found out. Thersa Judge missed being placed among the winners because three of her friends failed to vote. (I'd call that hard luck!)

Quade has just finished some wonderful pictures of these girls and already the engraver is working on them so the beauty section will be a success. Under each picture will appear a short characterization and history of what each girl has accomplished. This section is sure to be one of the popular parts of the Annual.

Another section of the Annual that is bound to be popular is the patriotic section. In this section, the pictures and history of the forty-three A. H. S. boys in the service as well as a review of the patriotic work that the high school as a whole and classes have accomplished in the past year. The pictures of the boys are something that are worth cherishing. Soon, some of these boys will be making Ames famous, and some others, we will want to remember for other reasons. This will be the only place where there will be a collection of all their pictures, perhaps you might have pictures of a few of them, but in the Annual there will be pictures of all of them.

Among other things, the pictures of everybody in high school will be in the Annual, and good pictures too. In the pictures of the underclassmen, you can plainly see every single one. Subscribe right away or you will be left out.

A Story From Tom Musson

I had a girl in Davenport,
Another in St. Paul,
They met each other some time ago,
Now I have no girl at all.

The Bi-Weekly News Issue of
THE SPIRIT
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EDITORIAL

THE GIRL'S PART IN THE WAR

The keynote of work for all girls throughout our nation, should be "service"; not a vague, indefinite kind, but the kind which makes each girl feel that she is actually giving herself. Our girls today are only too ready to pledge the best of their minds, hearts and bodies in acts of service for their country.

The question is, "How can the girls do their part in this war"? for Uncle Sam needs the help of every one of his citizens.

Conservation in the kitchen is one of the most important. The saving of food in our homes makes just that much more to send to our boys "over there." We deem it unpatriotic for girls to get many new clothes, and a mark of patriotism in her who wears the same as she did last season. The Red Cross rooms are urging the girls to do their "bit" no matter how small it may seem. Those who cannot afford Liberty bonds can, by saving their quarters, otherwise spent on luxuries, and buy thrift stamps and war savings stamps. Then the girls can also do their part by "cheering up" those Sammies "somewhere in France." It may be through correspondence that a few words regarding the "home town" may spur the boy into doing greater things to save his country.

Giving to the Y. M. C. A. effects the boys in a very direct way. One often hears the question, "Why doesn't God stop this suffering?" You remember the legend of the return of Christ to Heaven and Gabriel's question, "What method did you leave for the kingdom of God to come on earth?"

"I left it with my friends," was the quiet answer.

"But suppose they should fail. What other plan have you then?"

"I have no other plan."

Is it not then our duty to give to the Y. M. C. A. so that that plan can be carried out? Many of the minds of our college boys would be rotting away in the trenches at the front, if it were not for the work of the Y. M. C. A.

"The girl behind the man, behind the gun," is a very true quotation and shows the girl's real relationship to the war.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE

We're not going to tell you why women should have the right to vote, because anyone with common horse sense, knows they should.

Who is it that backs the team no matter what sport they enter, now don't all speak at once, but you know it is always the girls. Who votes when there is a popular election held to decide one of the most critical things in a school's history? Again it is the girls, not just because they are particularly fond of voting but because they have the interests of the school at heart.

Ask the three most popular girls in high school what they think about women suffrage, and we're telling you they aren't blank on the subject. As for the teachers—if they had a few banners, and if bricks weren't so expensive they'd have this town holding its breath to see what officer of the law would get killed first.

If girls can support worth while activities in school, in a sensitive way, why can't they do the same kind of thing outside? Politics won't be so much graft if women get the vote and it's up to you fellows when you get the vote to give the women a chance to show of what they are made, by voting for woman suffrage.

They do not ask in Europe, "Have we no cake today?" No, My no—they say, "Thank the Lord for the beans."

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NEWS!

Dorothy Oliver and Carl Briley are now patronizing the Ontario church on Sunday nights.

We all agree that the "bases" or Ardilla Pike's absence excuse was "the Ford and the ground."

It is the general opinion of Ames High that a clerk be appointed for Raymond Duckworth in recording his expenditures on Lucile Nickels and Harriet Schleiter.

Marie Judge: A man has been married and has a wife—Oh, how impossible.

Lucille Lang advocates that the seats in Miss Coskery's room be enlarged for the "Upper Classmen."

Earl Elliott and Tom Musson prefer rushing the girls from Kelley. It's all right.

Miss Miller declares a married couple from Wisconsin illegal.

How many hogs did Joe Anderson sell to pay a two year debt?

We wonder why the Christian church steps are so popular? Les Hoon, Joe Anderson and Bernice Hubbard have surely solved the problem by this time.

Mable Rodgers and (?) were Des Moines visitors Saturday.

We are not surprised to hear that one of the Ames High girls has found a soldier boy for a friend.

From the appearance of the Study Hall board, you would not go wrong in saying "Ames High must be some peppy school."

As heard from the Senior girls, "We only wish we had another year to spend at dear Ames High."

SOME OF OUR GIRLS

Light blond hair,
Big blue eyes,
Is loved by all,
Oh! Paradise.

Beatrice Olson

Red, red hair,
Eyes of green,
Rag-time ability,
She's a scream.

Theresa Judge

Hair in a braid,
Eyes of blue-black,
Knowledge, knowledge,
She does not lack.

"Toots" Sloss.

Frivolous ways,
But a maid so prim,
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With eyes of blue,
If you like her,
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Merna Lee

A little Miss,
So prim and sweet,
Just the right size,
And dainty feet.

Evelyn Tripp.

JOKES

She struggled vainly to arrest
The villian's vengeful hand.
He dragged her round and round the
stage,
And cussed to beat the band.

"Unhand me, villian," then she cried,
"Or you shall rue this day;
I'll call for help," and she did it too,
But no help came that way.

"You love muh," cried the villian

As he grabbed her by the hair.
"Tis false," cried she in anguish
wild,
And wilted o'er her chair.

" 'Tis false," cried she, " 'tis false
again,
As false as false can be."
He found three switches in his hand,
"Well, I guess it is," said he.

—Ex.

Miss Coskery—What do you like
about that young lieutenant that
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Neva Gate—His uniform, my dear!

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GIRLS AND BOYS SKIP FRIDAY

About forty-five high school pupils decided that the school authorities were dead to the fact that there was a patriotic holiday at that time and so they just naturally had their own celebration. The joke turned out to be on them, for Iowa had long since gone "over the top" in its Liberty Loan quota and was busy with other serious matters such as educating the school boys and girls so they could take the places of the boys who have gone.

We'd like to ask these young patriots how many bonds they sold on their independent campaign so we can congratulate them.

They have now decided that the most patriotic thing a young man or woman can do is to stick to school just as many hours a day as the law allows. For this reason, perhaps, they are now having special patriotic classes to make up the work they missed.

WAR SAVINGS STAMPS

Is everyone saving all the money he possibly can in order that he may buy war saving and thrift stamps? At first there seemed to be plenty of pep, but now most of us seem to have forgotten all about this campaign. Pep up! everybody! and help make this campaign a great success.

Mr. Pollard—What shall we sing—Oh I know, we will sing "Sing Sing"

Theresa Judge—Oh we don't want to sing that there's too many bars.

The High School paper's a good investment.

The school gets all the fame,
The printer gets all the money,
And the Editor gets all the blame.

—Ex.

E. J. (reading history) Bull Run! What a funny name! I wonder what made the bull run?

Miss Stewart—Perhaps, he saw the cowslip.

Mr. Hicks—Well Joe, what are you going to do when school is out and the war is over?

Joe Anderson—Oh! Join the Army.

Widdy—"There is an awful rumbling in my stomach—like a cart going over a cobblestone pavement."

Lois—"It's probably that truck you ate for dinner.—Ex.

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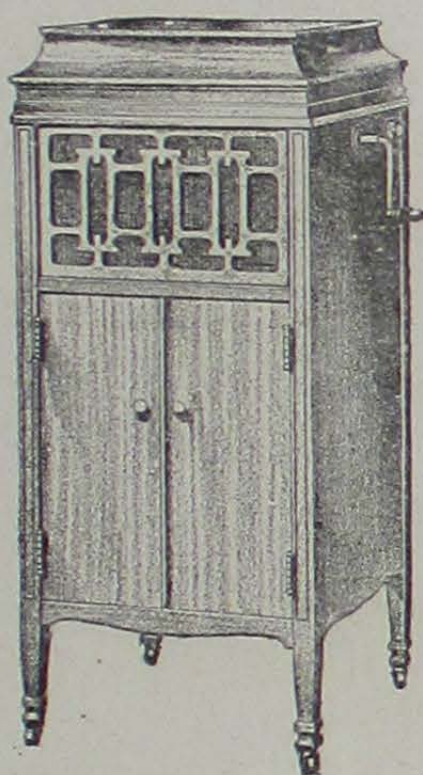


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We, the Class of nineteen
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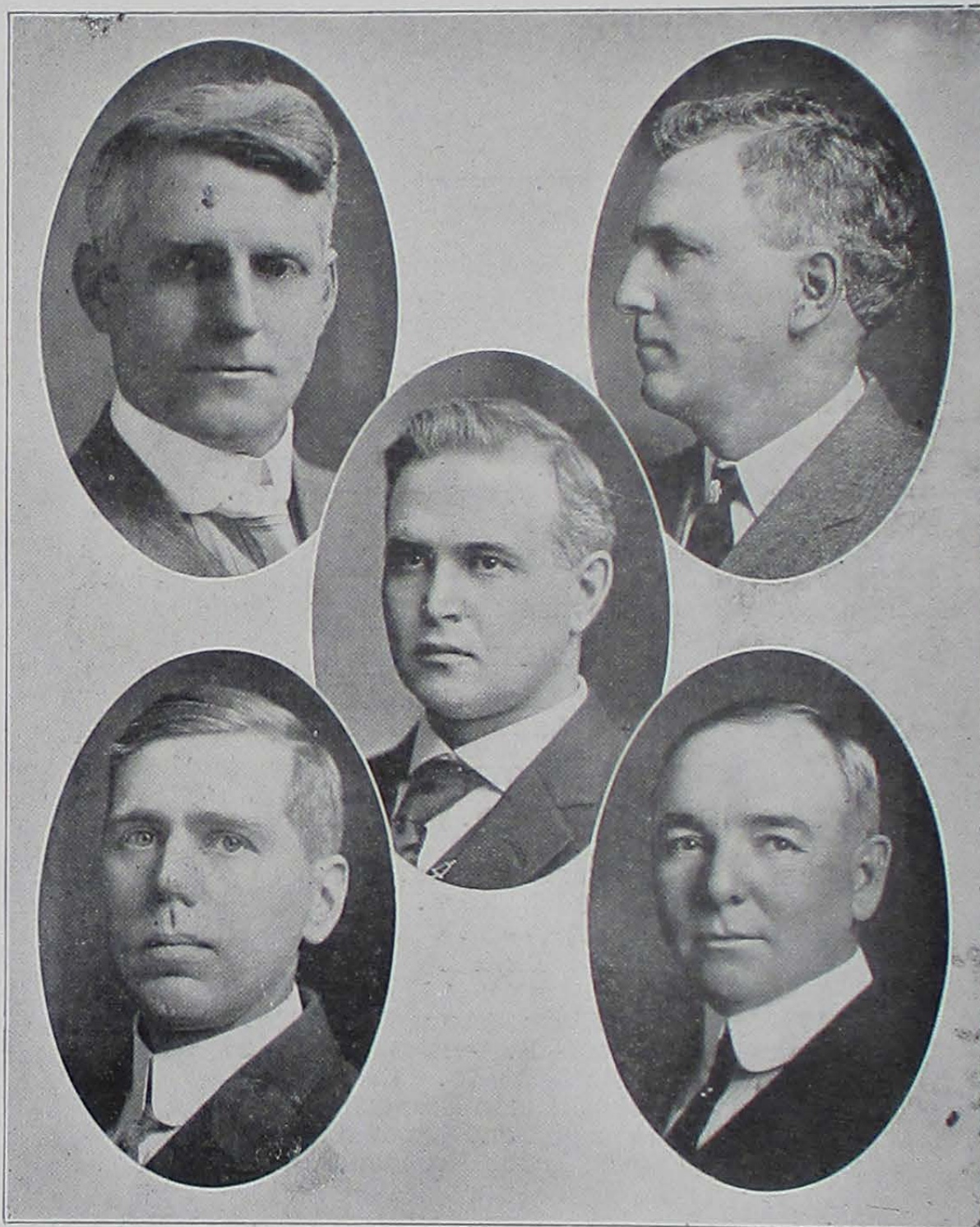
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There will be no one to fill "Nev's" shoes next year.

Spirit Staff—Vice-President '17-'18—Class Football '17—Basketball '17-'18—"A's" both years—Hi "Y" Cabinet—Class football and basketball '17-'18—"Y" Pledge.

WALTON GOODE

What is so rare as a day with June?

Boys' Working Reserve—Vice-President Hi "Y"—School Affairs Committee—Class Football '17—Class Basketball '18—"Y" Pledge.

NAOMI O. FITCH

She would make a perfect Red Cross nurse.

Tennis Championship '16—Glee Club '17—Captain of winning volley-ball team.

FRANCES ELEANOR HOLM

She loves to tell stories, but even so her conscience is clear.

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O, No! I ist muthn't looth my reputathion.

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BARCLAY E. NOBLE

"Demosthenes is dead; Cicero is dead, and I am not feeling very well myself."

Class Play—Debating team '16-'17, '17-'18—Spirit Staff two years—Class football '17 — President '15-'16 — American History Medal '16-'17—Class track '15-'16—Boys' Working Reserve —Active in Entertainments—Substitute yell leader—"Y" Pledge.

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BEATRICE TOLEPHINE OLSON

Practical?—Not so you can notice.

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LESTER E. SAUVAIN

Precious things are done up in small packages.

Class Play—Class football '17—Basketball '16-'17, '17-'18—"A" '18.

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Is undemocratic for—she vouches for the Royal (ty).

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Y. W. C. A.—class song—school affairs committee—volley ball team—school song.

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Like George, never told a lie.

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Class Song—School Song.

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WILLIS B. BELKNAP

Our friend and a hard worker.
Y. M. C. A. Cabinet, President last
semester—Class football '17.

LEONA NUNAMAKER

When Mary Pickford dies, Leona will
take her place.
Final diploma in penmanship—46 words
a minute on Underwood.

WILLIAM MARION SHERMAN

"My eyes are blue, my teeth are white
I comb my hair morn, noon and night."
Class football '17—Class basketball '17-
'18—Senior Class Play—Hi "Y".
Pledge—Hi "Y".

LETHA M. FISH

Almost as permanent a hall fixture as
our statue of Minerva.
Final diploma in penmanship—46 words
per minute on Underwood.

DONALD FINCH

Chauffeur of the "Little Red Devil."
Donald is a comical fellow isn't he?—
Boys' Working Reserve—Spirit Staff.

MURIEL MACKIE

Paid us a very short visit but left her
mark.
Winner War Story Contest.





WILFERD LEROY APLAND

He may turn out all right yet, he is still young.

Class President '16-'17—Boys' Working Reserve—"Y" Pledge.

LILA MORRIS

A nature so modest and so rare you hardly see the strength that is there. Volley ball team.

FORREST E. CLARK

One of the Siamese twins.

Boys' Working Reserve—School Affairs Committee—Y. M. C. A.—Class Basketball '18—"Y" Pledge.

LOIS R. MILLER

Music Hath charms and so does she. Class Basketball team '16.

HAROLD L. KOOSER

The other Siamese twin.

Class Play—Class Secretary '17-'18—Y. M. C. A.—"Y" Pledge—Business manager and Treasurer of Class Play "Y" Cabinet.

GLADYS M. SLINGERLAND

What she wills to do or say is wise, virtuous and best.

Typewriting diploma for 46 words a minute—Thrift stamp bookkeeper—Final diploma in penmanship.

LUCILLE LANG

Nine "Rahs" for our "Lucy"
Winner in popularity contest—yell
leader — a c t i v e in H. S.
entertainments — Assistant Editor
Spirit succeeding Nevin—Member of
Y. W. C. A. Committee—Annual
Staff—High School song—Class Play
—Typewriting Award, 40 words.

EARL WILTON JOHNSON

A most excellent President. Who
knows he might be President of the
U. S. some day.
Boys' Working Reserve—Senior Class
President—Class Football '17—Spirit
Staff—"Y" Pledge.

LENA PEARL NELSON

A merry heart doeth good like medicine.
Chairman Social Service Committee Y.
W. C. A.

THOMAS F. MUSSON

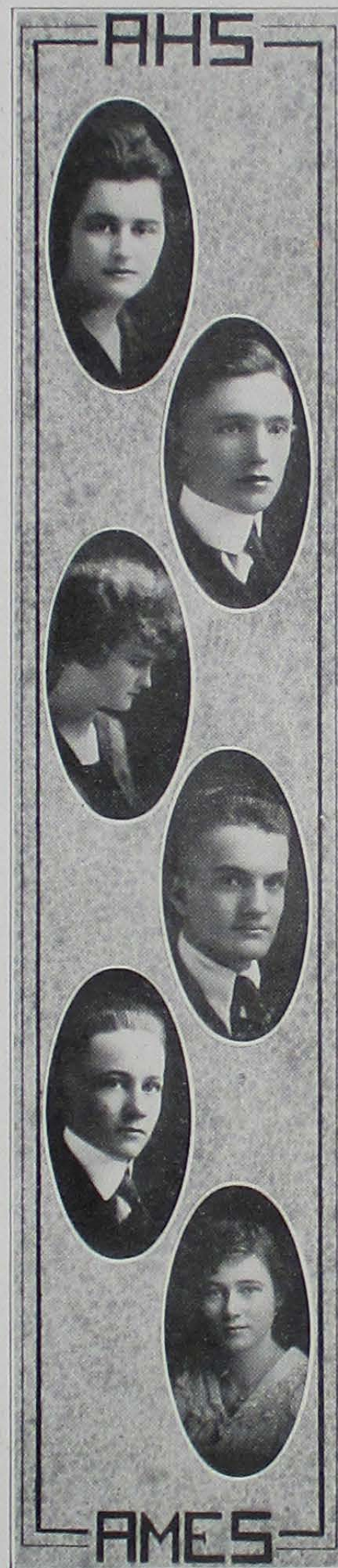
Tom has got every pretty girl spotted.
Class Football '17—Varsity Basketball
'18—Orchestra '16-'17—Class basket-
ball '17-'18—Spirit Staff—Hi "Y"—
Pledge Hi "Y".

MARVIN E. SOGARD

A right useful man.
Boys' Working Reserve—Class football
'17—Hi "Y".

RUTH J. FREELAND

She delights in asking questions—her
favorite one is "why."
Typewriting Underwood Diploma, 40
words a minute.





EDGAR JACOBSON

Goes quite frequently to Nevada to see—
the court house.
Boys' Working Reserve.

MARJORIE A. NICKELS

Oh horrors! I was taken for a Freshman.
Social Committee of Senior Class—Y. W.
C. A. Committee—Spirit Staff—"A"
in gym.—News Editor of girls' issue
—Underwood diploma.

MABEL L. RODGERS

"On with the dance, let joy be uncon-
fined."
Certificates in typewriting—Y. W. C.
A. — Senior Class Play — School
Affairs Committee—Red Cross.

GILBERTE MAUDE LUKE

When is a girl not a girl?
When she is a peach.
Class Play—Spirit Staff—Popularity
contest.

J. EDWARD JUDGE

Some one once said, "He is sweet
enough to kiss."
Boys' Working Reserve.

EDITH ALBERTA WALLIS

I love a youth. Oh! what bliss.
Class Play—Y. W. C. A. Committee—
popularity contest — school affairs
committee—Volley ball captain, social
chairman Prep., Soph. and Junior
years. Spirit Staff.

CONSTANCE MARGARET KNIPE

Never a dime
Never on time
But a jolly good scout to know.
Y. W. C. A.—Volley ball team—
social-outdoor and games committee.

ENID EDWARDS

O, where is my powder Puff (it)?
Y. W. C. A.—46 words a minute on
Underwood.

MARIE MARGARET JUDGE

"When Irish eyes are smiling."
Social Committee—Final diploma in
penmanship—Glee Club.

FRANK M. COULTER, Jr.

"Long Boy."
"Y" Pledge—Member Hi "Y" three
years.

MYRTLE M. HALL

An understudy of Anna Case.
Declamatory contest '18—Glee club '16-
'17.

THERESA LOUISE JUDGE

Beware of a woman
With hair of a hue
That stands for danger
I'm warning you.
Final diploma in penmanship—
Popularity contest—Glee Club—
Secretary and Treasurer of Sophs.





S. IMOGENE DEAN

"Me without a lesson, Never!"
Declamatory contest 1916.

LESTER OLIVER JOHNSON

"Happy am I,
From care I'm free.
Why aren't they all
Contented like me?"
Class basbetball '18—Class football '17
— Boys' Working Reserve — "Y"
Pledge.

VERA LORETTA BARKER

"I can't, and still, I wonder if I could."
Y. W. C. A.—Red Cross—Final
diploma in penmanship.

ELIZABETH C. BATMAN

"I smile, for those who are deserving."
Y. W. C. A.—Volley ball team.

ANNE ELIZABETH LINDAUER

A brilliant mind
A manner kind
A gentle, quiet spirit.
Winner in oratorical division declamatory
contest—Y. W. C. A.—Glee Club
'17—In preliminary debating contest.

MARY ELIZABETH BATTELL

When you meet her you know that a
genius is bashful.
Declamatory contest.

ALDEBA H. FOX

Needs lessons on "How to Smile."
Y. W. C. A.—Typewriting Diploma,
48 words a minute.

NEVA IRENE SCOTT

"Modesty hides her light under a bushel."
Y. W. C. A.—Volley ball team.

LYMAN O. OSAM

"Like a pond, still but deep."
Class Play '18—Class football '17—H
"Y".

JESSIE LEE BOURLAND

She has a most mysterious air.
Y. W. C. A.—Diploma in typewriting.

FANNIE DIXSON

As dignified as any senior could be.
Y. W. C. A.—Final diploma in
penmanship.

WILLIAM F. WINTER

Like a mouse, very still and quiet but
always knows what is going on.
Class Football '17—Class Basketball '18.





MYRTLE C. JORGENSEN

She's very small
She is a prize
We all of us think
She's very "nize."
"A" in gym. — Final diploma in
penmanship — Remington Award, 46
words.

ELSIE ELLIOT

The Glad Girl.
Y. W. C. A. — Red Cross — 46 words
per minute on Underwood.

IRMA ALLENE TAYLOR

"The prattle of a typewriter is music to
my ears."
Best Attendance Record.

ROSE IRENE GORE

She has a very keen sense of discrimina-
tion.
Y. W. C. A. — Red Cross — Literary
program Committee (Senior) — Final
diploma in penmanship — Two type-
writing Diplomas.

GERARD M. RAYNESS

Fresh as a bridegroom and has his chin
new reaped, showed like a stubble field
in harvest time.
He scorns the camera.
Cartoonist for "Spirit."

Class History

It was in the fall of '13 when the old school again swung open her doors for eighty-nine Freshmen to enter and begin their four long years of life in her halls. The first few weeks we inwardly shivered when anyone yelled "Prep!" and outwardly trembled at the sight of green dandelions.

After our class finally adjusted themselves, we became noted as the peppiest class ever in school. (Please pardon our self-praise.) We organized before any of the other classes and Beatie Olson made a sure enough peppy president.

Our first class party, we all remember, and we somehow had an awfully good time without quite knowing why, after all the boys in some way got mixed with all the girls on the opposite side of the room. But there's one thing about that party some of us never could understand and this is, why do Edith Wallis and Barclay Noble blush when third floor is mentioned?

Our Junior Hallowe'en party surely had all other class functions beaten, when Mr. Steffey, for once, allowed us to laugh at his expense when he came in doing the Agricultural two step.

Our bob-party that year would have been a wonderfully good party, if there had been any snow on the ground. We took such pains to find chaperones and we finally thot Mr. and Mrs. Bob Thompson would fill the bill. At the school-house, we all waited and waited. They didn't come, so we finally drove off without them to an oyster stew at Noble's. All the time the said Thompson's were waiting at home for us to come after them.

That year we started out very strong in athletics. The football boys were full of enthusiasm, and we had a fine team, thanks to our coach. Our boys on the team were Soper, Anderson, and Dvoracek and they all won their monograms. In the spring our basketball team held Hammond, McCarty, Dunlap, Anderson, Sauvain, Dvoracek, with Innes, Dunlap, McCarty, Sauvain, Innes and Hammond winning their monograms.

The Junior year of athletics never went very much farther than a good class team owing to our suspension from the association.

At commencement time the Juniors gave their annual reception to the Seniors. Whenever I think of the reception I somehow seem to hear Mr. Steffy telling his one favorite story about the Swede boy and girl but, "I tank I said too much already." Leroy Apland was our president that year.

This year the Senior class has not been very active in social events, but we have our old enthusiasm just the same. We did have a taffy pull, however, and succeeded in so stringing taffy on all the hall floors that Mr. Steffy had a hard time writing tardy slips next morning.

Another stunt which will be forever remembered occured on May 22nd. That day the Seniors grasped their last chance to return to the manners and

dress of childhood. We tried to be kids once more but some of us presented a pitiable result. From the number of curly heads which sprung into being, we venture to suggest that many spent a restless night.

The Literary Societies were introduced into our routine of work in the Senior year and in order to leave a better record for those who are to fill our places, we, the Senior Class, cheerfully have assumed the responsibility of carrying one-fourth of the demerits that the right honorable judges have deemed it necessary to bestow.

Half glad, half sad, we are venturing out on the sea of life and we hope there will be no submarines that may wreck our happiness.

Our greatest wish for those who are pushing up to take our place is that they may make good from our examples, profit by our mistakes and have as jolly a time as we did in old Ames High.

Class Will of the Class of 1918

We, the SENIOR CLASS, of Ames High School, of the City of Ames, County of Story and State of Iowa, being of sound mind and disposing memory, make, publish and declare this the last will and testament made by our class.

First: We hereby give, and bequeath to the Junior Class our History map books, note books and everthing—Miss Stewart to-boot.

Second: We give and bequeath to the Sophomore Class—No, not knowledge or wisdom, they do not need it—they are now too wise, but we do give our dignity and our authority.

Third: We give and will to the Freshman class our simplicity. (They need it).

Fourth: To the Faculty, we give, and bequeath our Caps and Gowns. ?????

Fifth: Fanny Dixon wills her false hair to Florence Godard.

Beatrice Olson bequeaths her powder and puff to Vera Grover.

Doris Wherry wills her primness and dignity to Ethelyn Cole.

Anna Lindauer gives and wills her "Avoirdupois" to Dorothy Gruell.

Marjorie Nickels bequeaths her young lady's attainments and hair do, to Margaret Sloss.

Helen McDowell wills the sleeves of her brown dress to Viola Ray, for a ruffle to be used for the bottom of her skirt.

Romana Reins wills her interest in the Junior Class to Hazel Rickter.

Theresa Judge wills her ragtime ability to "Dodo" Wilson.

Mary Battell bequeaths her Latin ability to Romona Knipe and Marie Mortenson.

Nevin Innes wills his good looks to any one who will take them.

Walton Goode will and bequeaths his interest in Miss Miller to George Puffet.

Vera Barker gives her ability in extemporaneous speaking to Ardella Pike.

Frank Coulter wills his fifth year in High School to Buzz Lang.

Tom Musson wills his ability to bluff to Homer Tostlebe.

Ruth Freeland wills her ability to ask questions to Martha Lesan.

Edith Wallis bequeaths her stand-in with the teachers to Cleo Allen.

Gerard Rayness gives his long loved pipe, to Ted Kooser and Lowell Houser.

Gilberte Luke wills her winsome ways to Sara Brown.

Sixth: The Senior Class as a whole give, bequeath and will to Mr. Steffey a map of the world.

We will to Miss Miller her photo which was taken during the Carnival.

We bequeath to Miss Gates three million dollar waists. "The thinner they are the more they cost," she says.

We give to Miss Thornburg a collection of United States Army pins. Also an instruction book, "How to Keep Roll."

We will to Miss Sprague, the ability to pick a cast for the Senior Class Play that pleases all.

Irma Taylor wills her ability in cabaret dancing to Miss Fickel.

To Miss Boyd we bequeath the Seniors' share of the song books.

We will to Mr. Hicks a new set of books on "How to Study."

We will and bequeath Constance Knipe's skeleton to Miss Williams to be used in Physiology classes next year.

Barclay Noble wills his knowledge and ability to run things to Joe Anderson.

We will to Miss Curtis the Senior Secretary book to be used as a text book next year, in her book-keeping classes.

Miss Stewart said she wanted the best thing the Senior class had, so we will, bequeath and give to Miss Olive Stewart, our Mascot, Bill Sherman.

Seventh and last, we will, bequeath and give to A. H. S. and you all, our wishes for your success and prosperity in the future.

Signed and sealed the 24 day of May, 1918, A. D. by the Senior Class of 1918.

Prophecy of the Class of 1918

As told by The Wizard of the Future

SCENE: Dark, gloomy forest with cave in the foreground. The Wizard is seated in the door of the cave deeply engrossed in a large book. Beatrice has been informed that he can foretell the future and comes to seek his aid in the class prophecy.

B. Are you the Wizard of the Future? (*repeats three times*).

W. (*Looks up with dazed expression*) Eh, what's that? Am I the Wizard of the Future? Yes, child, that's what the people of the earth call me.

B. Oh, Seer of Visions, won't you help me? I've heard that you have a Book of the Future and can foretell the destiny of people. Barclay says I have to, just have to, get a prophecy for the Class of 1918. I tried to get Inspiration to help me, but she is so long in coming and now my time is up and I have nothing. Barclay will simply chew my ears off if I don't get it by midnight, tonight. So won't you help me?

W. I am forbidden to disclose the future. It always causes trouble. . . . But—what would you be willing to give if I should tell you the secret?

B. (*Opens pocketbook and offers money—wizard shakes head. Then offers her ring and later her beads—still no response.*) That's all I have here but maybe I could get more. How much do you want?

W. No, it isn't that kind of pay I must have. I can tell you the future only under one condition, and that is that you must promise that no one of the members of the class shall, under any circumstances, lose his sweet disposition.

B. Oh, I promise, I promise! They never get mad or peeved and they are all so anxious to know what they will be doing in ten years.

W. Very well, but remember—if any one fails to keep this promise, he must be branded a Sorehead, because Fate is no respecter of persons.

B. Oh, I am sure they will promise. What will you disclose first?

W. (*Opens big book and seems to fall into a trance*). Ah, there're a man and a woman who have brought congenial and vice versa natures together. Forest Clarke and his able assistant, Lila Morris are conducting a Matrimonial Agency through which, Mary Battell meets her husband, the Count Kneaubraynes of the House of Empty Domes. They lived quite happily until Hazel Cave and Millie Lerdall come to spend the summer and then the intellectual pressure becomes too heavy for the poor count and he is forced to flee to save the fragments of his mind. While in this country, he meets Mabel Rodgers and immediately becomes infatuated.

B. What about Walton Goode? I am worried about him.

W. Walton is convalescing at Lake Comar from heart affliction caused by his graduation's cutting off the inspiration received in Civics classes. Victor Beach, with whom he trod the college path four times daily, is a successor to

Luther Burbank. By a series of grafting, Victor now picks a crop of apple pies and dumplings off his trees at Mitchellville, and "Tubby" Kooser is the inspector and sampler. "Tubby" finds his occupation exceptionally satisfying. Marguerite Kirkham, disappointed in finding that her Well is an empty one, joins the Yankee-Robison Circus as bareback rider, being trained by ring-master, Donald Finch. Nevin Innes is in a state of mental doubt. He doesn't know which line of work he should take up—that of a clown or an undertaker.

B. Where's Ina Reins?

W. Ina marries "Stub" Watkins in 1923. Her wedding is one of the most extraordinary events on the social calendar of Ames. The bride is gowned in a creation designed by Helen McDowell, modiste employed by Sears, Roebuck & Co. Mrs. Vera Barker Rumpsey is matron of honor. I see Imogene Dean, Elsie Elliot, Jessie Bourland, Neva Scott and Elizabeth Bateman as bridesmaids. Anna Lindauer carries the ring in a buttercup. While the bridal procession marches to the altar, Doris Wherry plays, "There Shall Be Showers of Blessing." After the ceremony, at which the Rev. LeRoy Aplan officiates, Earl Johnson sings with great feeling and pathos, "'Tis Better to Have Loved and Lost Than Never to Have Loved at All".

B. (*Meditatively*) Well isn't it funny how things turn out? Tell me about Frank Coulter.

W. Frank is getting famously rich. His latest book, "The Care and Feeding of Infants," is enjoying wonderful popularity. Gladys Slingerland and Lois Miller are looking after the diet and happiness of the fowls at the I. S. C. Poultry Farm. Myrtle Hall, the famous prima dona, is on a concert tour with Mr. Pollard. Frances Holm is substituting for Miss Fickle who is on a leave of absence. Lena Nelson is occupying a new position in A. H. S.—that of teaching the faculty to be sweet-tempered and obliging.

B. What becomes of the actors in our class play? Something romantic must come of that.

W. Bill Winters and Willis Belknap are out of work and at present are tramping their way thru the country and they occasionally pull off vaudeville stunts in small towns.

W. Ah, Destiny scatters human beings far and wide. The Present counts for little. Edith charms Lester out of his usual calm repose and the result is a honeymoon to the Bermuda Islands, but Lester wonders if he didn't make a mistake in not taking the former Tripp. Of course executive ability is expected of Barclay Noble and it is being demonstrated by his rapid rise to dictatorship in the Skyscraper Chimneysweep Co. Lillie Roberson is teaching the Chinese to use the typewriter. The Theory of Evolution as expounded in English Class during the last semester of the Senior year, made such an impression on Lyman Osam's sensitive nature, that he is spending years of unceasing effort in Africa in an attempt to trace his ancestry. Lucille's part in the play inspired her to try the stage and she is rolling the curtain at the Princess. Gilberte Luke is in charge of an expedition in search of her lost temper. Naomi Fitch, in partner-

ship with Myrtle Jorgensen, is conducting a dance studio for the poor working girls in Chicago.

B. And does Lester Johnson join the Navy as he plans doing?

W. Ah no—Lester is serving a term at Eldora for stealing Letha Fish's affections from Les O'Brien. Romana hears and obeys a call from the West and is now on research work. Ah, here is a celebrity. Aldeba Fox and Muriel Mackie are senators from Iowa, thanks to the campaigning efforts of Marie Judge, whose propensity to converse with the younger element of the opposite sex finally has its reward. Her cousin, Theresa, filling one of the occupations opened to women by the Great War, is a conductor on the college car. Here's a lucky star: Gerard Rayness. His graceful and artistic exhibition of the new dances has caused him to eclipse the one-time famous Vernon Castle. Enid Edwards is directing the choir at Ontario and Marjory Nichols is a saleswoman for shoes with not less than three-inch heels.

B. Those are lovely. Do you see Edgar Jacobson's future?

W. Here it is: He is the floorwalker at the Style Shop. Marvin Sogard and Edward Judge find it cheaper to live in Gilbert than finance the weekly trips; so it is due to their enterprising natures that the little town has a shoe shine parlor. Bill Sherman finds his life calling in a beauty parlor on Broadway, New York City. Fanny Dixson is teaching school up in the wilds of North Dakota. Rose Gore is proprietress of the Grand Avenue Lunch Room. Ruth Freeland is nursemaid and governess for the Donald Finch family while he is on his circus rounds.

B. Leona Nunamaker is just wild to know where Destiny takes her.

W. The Great War so depleted the list of eligibles that Leona, in disgust, enters a nunnery. Ah, here's an illustrious couple—Constance Knipe and Erma Taylor. Connie is on a lecture tour to the various high schools in the United States, advocating the cap and gown for commencement. Her adversary, Irma Taylor, follows in her wake urging the use of the simple, white, girlish dresses. And then Tom Musson, last but not least, is taking a course in Time at Grinnell.

Class Song

Tune: "Solomon Levi"

I.

We are the class of '18 going out to do our best,
To use the knowledge we have gained, and put ourselves to test;
Although the four long years were hard, we're sorry that they're gone
For they were years of joys and tears, and many a happy song.

Chorus:

O, dear old Ames High, we're all proud of you,
Our class of '18 will ne'er forget about you in the years to come
Then we'll all be alumni of the orange and the black
But honor, faith and loyalty, for you we'll never lack,
We're glad 'tis true, our work is through and nothing left to do
But yet it's hard when at the last we bid farewell to you.

II.

We came as freshmen to brave the storm of strife and care and work
Prepare for greater tasks to come, and learn to hate to shirk;
And now that we three score and five have reached this happy day
Let's all join in with "pep" and vim and sing this merry lay:

Chorus:

Mr. Bob

Class Day Farce

PHILIP RAYSON	Naomi Fitch
ROBERT BROWN, clerk of Benson & Benson	Constance Knipe
JENKINS, Miss Rebecca's butler	Enid Edwards
REBECCA LUKE, a maiden lady	Ruth Freeland
KATHERINE ROGERS, her niece	Theresa Judge
MARION BRYANT, (Mr. Bob), her friend	Marie Judge
PATTY, Miss Rebecca's Maid	Lucile Lang

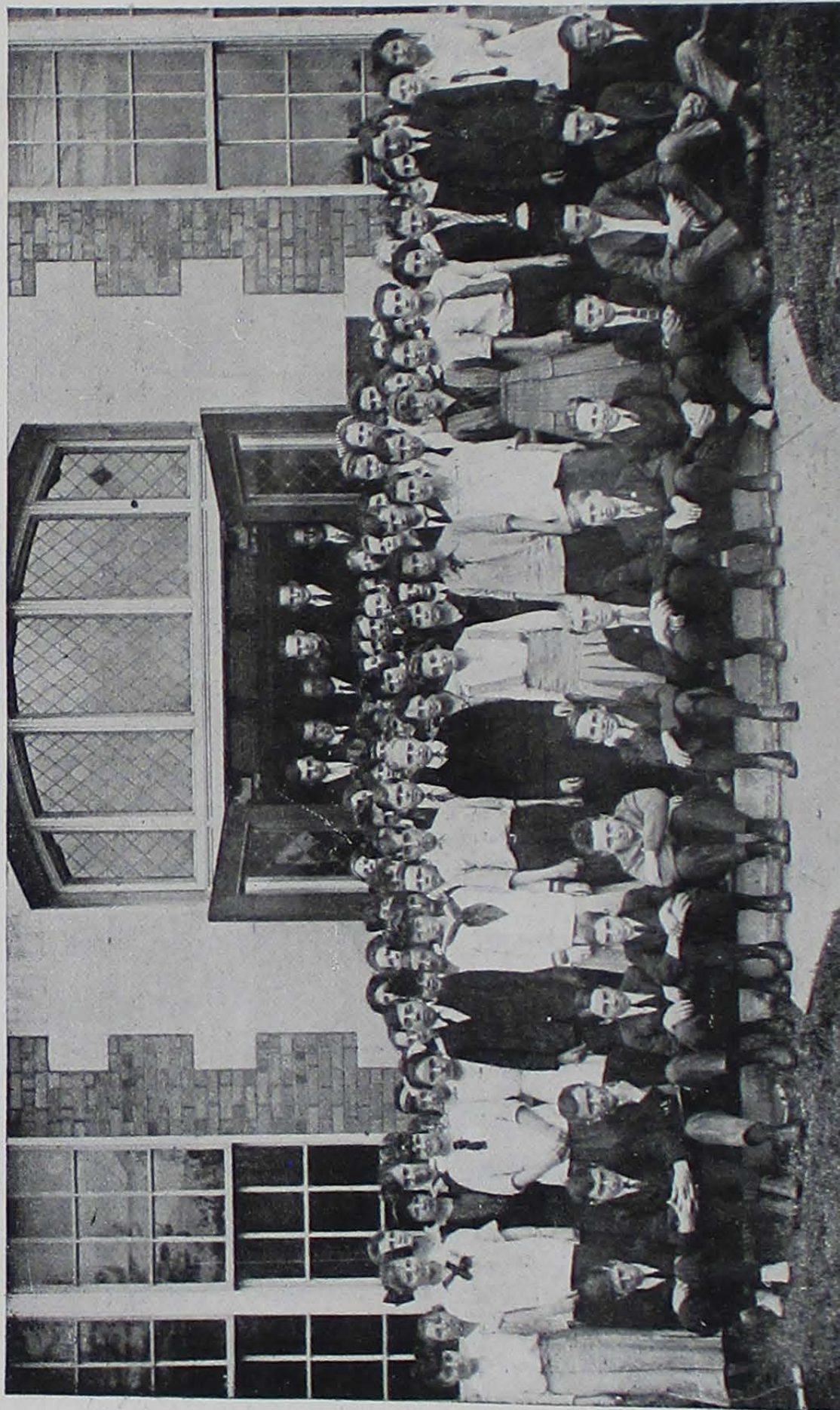
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Senior Directory

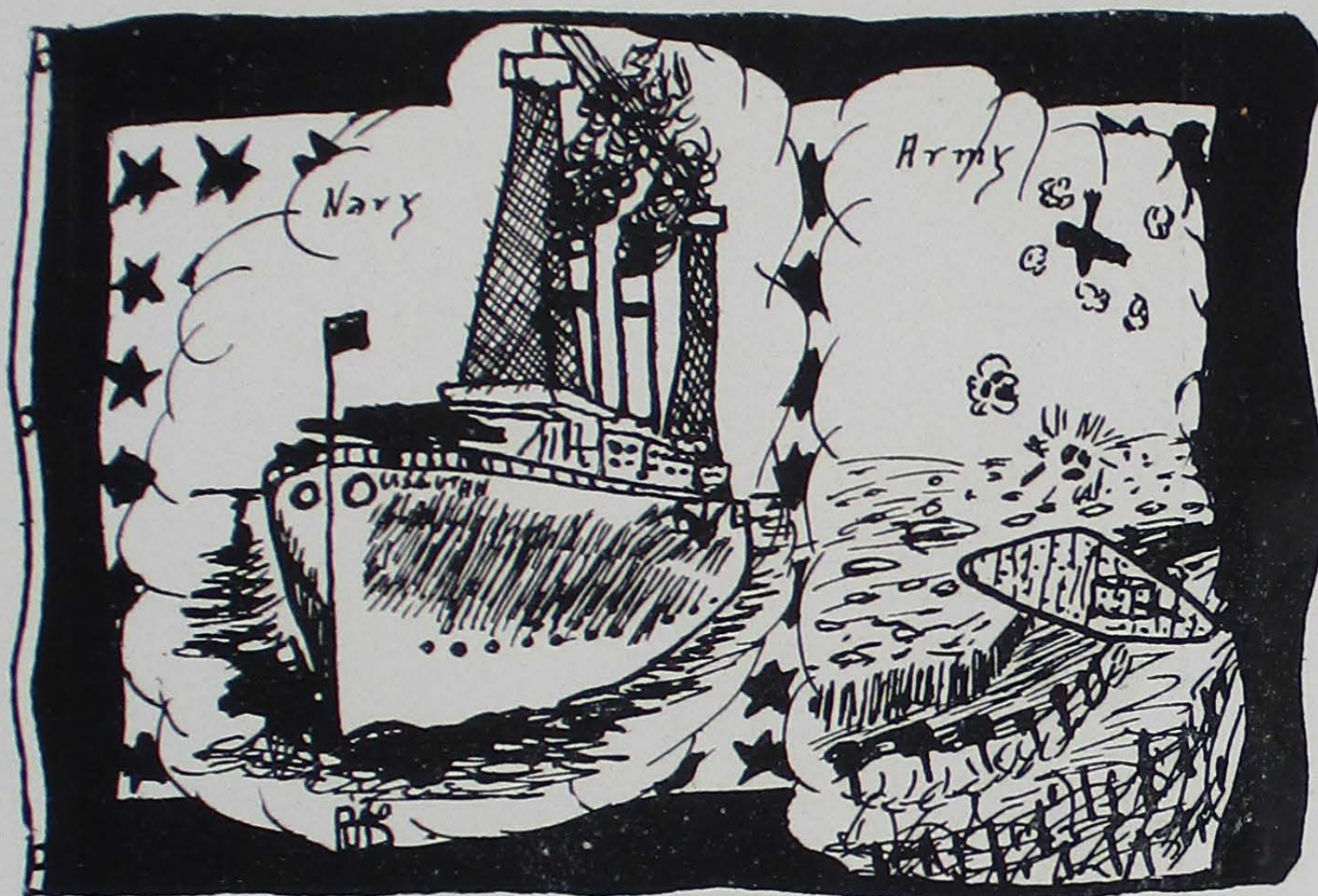
Name	Age	Favors	Claim to Fame	Ambition
Leroy Aplan	Correct	Himself	His Clothes	Be a Great Man
Vera Barker	Slim	No one knows	Her Smile	Reduce
Elizabeth Batman	Studious	Elsie	Voice	Baseball
Mary Battell	Sensible	Books	Recitations	Too Many to Mention
Victor Beach	Business	Latin Language	Postman at College	Engineer
Willis Belknap	Grit	Gardening	Hard Luck	Potato King
Jessie Bourland	Tennis	Absent	Her "Holmes"	A nice little "Holme"
Hazel Cave	Modest	Longer Study Hours	Making High Grades	To Further Education
Forrest Clark	Blushing	Silent Girls	Happy	To Have a Good Time
Frank Coulter	Lanky	5 Yr. Course in H. S.	Riding Tricycle	Shrink to 4 Feet
Imogene Dean	Puritan	Quaker Meetings	Undiscovered	Be a Preacheress
Fanny Dixson	Prophetic	Rumors	Her Coiffure	A Large Family
Enid Edwards	Musical	"George"	Original Jokes	Society Queen
Elsie Elliot	Maidenly	heading	Relation to Webster	Beat Her Brothers
Donald Finch	Manly	Racers	Temper	Farmer
Letha Fish	Theatrical	"Less"	"How Many?"	Become Mary's Rival
Naomi Fitch	Gentle	Athletics	Volley Ball Team	Gym Teacher
Aldeba Fox	Confident	Silence	Too Modest	A Convent
Ruth Freeland	Domestic	Shorthand	Questioneering	To Do Lots of Good
Walton Goode	Capable	Miss Miller	His Name	A Land of "June"
Rose Gore	Loquacious	Long Letters	Chewin'	To Keep a Man
Myrtle Hall	Affected	Music	Singing	Songster
Frances Holm	Sedate	Frowning	Oratory	Higher Education
Nevin Innes	Innocent?	Hoe & Rake	Kidding the Girls	Minister?
Edgar Jacobson	Wise	Buick	Visits to Boone	Jitney Driver
Lester Johnson	Agricultural	Pitch Hay	Brains	A Captain in Navy
Earl Johnson	Presidential	The Juniors	Class Picture	President
Myrtle Jorgenson	Demure	H. E.	Dress Making	Orator
Edward Judge	Prankish	Hallowe'en	Fussing	Harem
Marie Judge	Happy Go Lucky	Boone	Nonsense	Election Boss
Theresa Judge	Amiable	Music	Classy Dress	Study Music
Marguerite Kirkham	Fast	College Lads	Grades	More
Constance Knipe	Skinny	Athletics	Playing Tennis	Weight 200

Senior Directory

Name	Age	Favors	Claim to Fame	Ambition
Harold Kooser	Quiet	Frailty	School Printer	To Be Thin
Lucille Lang	Peppy	Fords	Exceeding Speed Limit	Vaudeville Actress
Millie Lerdall	Serious	Recite	Brilliant Recitations	English Teacher
Anna Lindauer	Studious	Library	Declamatory Contest	Orator
Gilberte Luke	Sunny	Out-door Sports	Transcribing Shorthand	Art
Muriel Mackie	Diligent	Prizes	Short Stories	Author
Helen McDowell	Old-fashioned	Variety of Bags	Retiring Disposition	Never to Be Heard
Lois Miller	Kiddish	A Good Joke	Friendliness	Stenographer?
Lila Morris	Frail	Long Drives	Grades?	Missionary
Tom Musson	Talkative	Out of Town Girls	He Wants to Know	To Graduate
Lena Nelson	Friendly	Country School	Y. W. Work	To Remain an Optimist
Marjorie Nickels	Nevada	"Ambrose"	"Sighs"	To Be Good Some Day
Barclay Noble	Official	All High Activities	Editor	President of I. S. C.
Leona Nunamaker	Studious?	Youth	Devil in Print Shop	To Get Married
Beatrice Olson	Lovable	State Center	Sunny Disposition	Be a Friend to Everyone
Lyman Osam	Bashful	Machinery	Anti-Cap and Gown	Mechanic
Gerard Rayness	Unknown	Girls?	Chalk Talk	Cartoonist
Ina Reins	Rose	Some Man	Wedding Bells	A Little Home
Romana Reins	Agreeable	"Waldo"	I. S. C. Doc't Room	Teacher in Rural School
Lillie Roberson	Brilliant	American History	Typewriting	Dancing Instructor
Mable Rogers	Romantic	D. U. House	Dodging Traffic Cop	Make a Success of Life
Neva Scott	Sincere	Cinder Path	Sweet Disposition	Be a Friend to Everyone
Wm. Sherman	Ancient	History	Ancestor's March	Duplication
Gladys Slingerland	Shy	Modest Dress	Quiet Disposition	A Secret
Irene Sogard	Sweet	"Peppy" Times	Intelligent Questions	Stenography
Marvin Sogard	Commercial	Good "Soles"	Clerkship	Become a Cobbler
Lester Sauvain	Athletic	"Tripp"	Corridorology	To Have Evyie
Irma Taylor	Copper	Jewelry	Her Hair	Remain Single
Edith Wallis	Graceful	A. T. O. House	Dancing	Designing (?)
Eugene Watkins	Short	Height	Basket Ball	Tiller of the Soil
Doris Wherry	Erudite	Freckles	Utensilitis	Housewife
Wm. Winter	Reticent	Civics	Silence	You Guess



The Proud Seniors Three Years Ago



So nigh is grandeur to our dust,
So near is God to man,
When Duty Whispers low, Thou must,
The youth replies, I can.

—Emerson.



An Interesting Letter About Our Boys

White House, Washington, D. C.,
May 1, 1918.

Dear Miss Liberty:

Your letter has been received, and I am glad that you have so much confidence in my boys who are fighting for you. They are a fine bunch of lads, the best on earth.

So you want me to tell you something of where they are and what they are doing? Now that would be quite a task, and would take a long, long time, but I will select a few who are among the best.

Of all by "Sammies" I think of none you would be more interested in than those from the Ames High School. Forty-four of them have already answered the call. Don't you think that is a very good showing for the size of the school?

Rufus Hoon, of the First Medical Corps, of the 126th Field Artillery, at Camp Cody, New Mexico, is now a Corporal and Orderly for Major Bush. (20)

Paul McNeil also of the First Medical Corps of the 126th Field Artillery, at Camp Cody, New Mexico, is a first class private and has been acting as a Styker for two Lieutenants. (35)

Will Ricketts of the First Medical Corps of the 126th Field Artillery at Camp Cody, New Mexico, is a private and we hear that he is getting to be quite a horseman. (25)

Jay Elliot, who is in the First Medical Corps of the 126th Field Artillery, has been assigned stable-boy and the most of his time is now spent with his horses. (23)

Burnice Posegate is now in the 126th Medical Corps, Camp Cody, New Mexico, where he has been appointed stable-boy. He was formerly of the 109th Trench Mortar Battery but after reaching Camp Cody was transferred to the Medical Corps. (13)

Arthur Speers is a first class private in the 109th Trench Mortar Battery Camp Cody, New Mexico. (36)

John Taylor of the 109th Trench Mortar Battery, Camp Cody, New Mexico, is also a first-class private. (17)

Douglas Waitley is also a first-class private in the First Medical Corps now at Camp Cody, New Mexico. (18)

Winfred Crabbs is in the First Dental Corps of the 127th Field Artillery. He enlisted in the First Medical Corps of the 126th Field Artillery and was transferred to the Dental Corps in December, 1917. He was in the hospital for some time, but is now in good health. (33)

Donald Soper, now of the First Dental Corps of the 127th Field Artillery



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was also transferred from the First Medical Corps of the 126th Field Artillery. He is now Assistant Dentist. (22)

Harold Seymour is a First Class Private in the 109 Trench Mortar Battery, now at Camp Cody, New Mexico. Although when he first reached Camp Cody he was unfortunate enough to have to spend some little time in the hospital, he is now in good health and is gaining every day. (15)

Corp. McKinley Steigerwalt is now in the 109th Supply Train, Truck Company F, at Camp Cody, New Mexico. He was a private in the 109th Trench Mortar Battery, when he left Ames, but was made a corporal when he reached Camp Cody. He was then transferred to the Supply Train and transferring he had to forfeit his rank. He remained a Private for a short time and was again made Corporal. Steigerwalt was one of the few men in his company who were issued trucks. (26)

William Ives is a private in the 168th U. S. Infantry. He says that the boys who write of excitement from Deming should be dodging grenades and they would know what real excitement was. Bill's picture is minus because he did not enlist directly from school and so no record was kept.

George Dunlap is now a Corporal in the 109th Trench Mortar Battery at Camp Cody, New Mexico. (28)

Sergeant Earl R. Quade of the 109th Trench Mortar Battery, at Camp Cody, New Mexico, is Special Recruiting Sergeant. He has charge of the drilling of all the recruits for his Company. (21)

Sergeant Lawrence Murphy is Supply Sergeant for the 109th Trench Mortar Battery, and he is kept busy issuing clothes to the other boys. (16)

Charley Shockley is a Private in the 168th U. S. Infantry, of the 84th Brigade, Rainbow Division, which is now in France. (14)

Paul Hammond is also a Private in the 168th U. S. Infantry, 84th Brigade, Rainbow Division, France. In his last letter he told some of his many experiences in "No Man's Land." At one time a shell fell so close to him that it threw dirt all over him, but as it did not explode he was unharmed. (5)

Harold Loughran is now with the North Dakota boys of Company H, 164th U. S. Infantry. He was formerly in the 168th U. S. Infantry of the Rainbow Division, but at the time this division left England he was in the hospital and was compelled to remain behind. He is now able to drill again and is gaining fast. (27)

Warren Rinehardt is a private in the 168th U. S. Infantry, of the 84th Brigade, Rainbow Division, France. (2)

Cecil Hamm is also a private in the 168th U. S. Infantry, of the 84th Brigade, Rainbow Division, France. (3)

Sam Martin is First Gunner of the 168th U. S. Infantry, 84th Brigade, Rainbow Division, France. He says that the boys with him are all well and happy and that they expect to soon have the chance to play a crap game on old Kaiser Bill's kitchen table. (38)

Frank Corbin is a private in the 168th U. S. Infantry, 84th Brigade, Rainbow Division, France. He has already lost a brother in this war. (8)

George McCoy is also a private in the 168th U. S. Infantry, 84th Brigade, Rainbow Division, France. He was in the hospital for a short time but is now in good health. (9)

These boys of the 168th that I have just mentioned are just back from the Trenches, for a rest. They had a taste of real war and expect to return to the trenches in a short time. None of them can say too much of the kind treatment they received from the French people.

Corp. Gifford C. Terry is now with the American Expeditionary Forces, in the 14th Co. S. F. A. A. Battery. His letters are sent via New York. He was first with the First Company at Ft. Winfield Scott, San Francisco, but was transferred from there to his present company. (11)

Aside from having the mumps, Terry has been in good health. The main thing he speaks of in his letters, is how he enjoys his High School paper.

Charles Nowlin, 1st Company at Ft. Winfield Scott, San Francisco, has been raised to the rank of Corporal. He thinks Army Life is the best ever. (R12)

Bob Sage is still at Ft. Winfield Scott, San Francisco, but he has been transferred from the First Company and I have not yet heard the name of his present company. (L12)

Bob has spent six weeks in a truck driving training camp at Jacksonville, Florida, and as he has finished he expects to soon leave for France.

Art Balinger is a private in the First Company, Ft. Winfield Scott, San Francisco. (29)

Orvil Apland is now in Company B., of the 340th Machine Gun Battery, at Camp Funston, Kansas. He is a First Class Private. (30)

Elmer Jones is now a Corporal in the 400th Aero Squad of the Third Aviation Instruction Department, American Expeditionary Forces, France. He was first stationed at San Antonio, Texas, and on August 10, 1917, he sailed for Fort Totten, Long Island. He left Halifax on August 24th and sailed for France. (40)

Jones has been in active service, and when last heard from he was in the hospital. Although the cause was not stated, it is thought that he had been wounded.

Harvey Fitch is with the Armed Guard Detail, U. S. N. Training Station, Norfolk, Virginia. (32)

Fitch first went to the Great Lakes, then to a Radio Training School where he stayed two months. He then went to Harvard University and after a month's training was assigned to the U. S. S. Florida, and is now on his second trip to Italy.

After his first trip he was made third operator, and he now has three operators under him.

Ted Nowlin of Company C., Gunners Mate School, Main Training Camp, at



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the Great Lakes, Ill., has been very ill for some time, and is still in the hospital, but it is reported that he is now improving rapidly. (24)

Floyd Mabie is now in Company A., 109th Engineers, at Camp Cody, New Mexico. (39)

Ralph C. Lewis is now in First Gunners Mate Training School at Fortress Monroe, Virginia. He will soon be raised to the rank of Master Gunner. (4)

Louis E. Grey is now at the 167th Sands St., Naval Y. M. C. A., Brooklyn, N. Y. (31)

Louis is a coxswain in the Naval Reserve, and a gun captain in the Armed Guard. The Armed Guard has charge of the guns on board a merchant vessel or a transport, and their duty is fighting subs.

Grey has been to France on the U. S. S. Seattle and is now resting easy in New York, at the Naval "Y," waiting for a transfer to a transport.

On his last trip, he says, as they neared the French coast, a flock of French Airplanes and dirigibles and American and British destroyers came out to welcome them.

Grey is now serving his second enlistment in the Navy, and likes it fine. He thinks he has a fine gun crew and says that the first "sub" that comes poking her nose at them will find an uncomfortable berth in "Davy Jones' Locker."

Vaughn L. Hunter is in Company L., of the 31st Infantry, at Corregidor Islands, Philippine Islands. He enlisted at Des Moines and was sent to Ft. Logan before going to the Philippine Islands. He is the only Ames High School boy in service on the Islands. (6)

Leonard Stenerson, U. S. S. New York, % Post Master, New York, N. Y., is now a second rate Wireless operator. He is stationed at Eiffel Tower and receives messages from Abberdine in French, English, Italian, Norwegian and German. These messages are then handed to a translator. (19)

E. C. Heffern is now with Company A., of the Second Depot Brigade, S. C., Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas. (34)

William Nelson is a Private in Company G., of the Eighth Cavalry at Valentine, Texas. His company was transferred to Valentine from Marfa, Texas. (7)

Lyle McCarty is in the 3rd Company at Ft. Ruger, Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands. He is now in a Master Gunners School and hopes to soon obtain that

rank. His work consists mainly of map drawing, photography, figuring data of field guns and studying the atmosphere and weather conditions. (10)

Leonard Deal of Company K., 47th Infantry, was formerly stationed at Camp Greens, North Carolina, but he is now on his way to France. Leonard is Company Agent. (1)

Clifford C. McCarthy is at Ft. Kamehameah, Honolulu, Hawaii, T. R., Quartermasters Corps. (37)

And last of all are Carnie Dunkle and Earl Shull who joined the latter part of April. They enlisted in Des Moines and were sent to Ft. Riley, Kansas. (41) (42)

Shull is in the Medical Division and Dunkle is in the Quartermasters Corps.

Now, My dear Miss Liberty, don't you think this is a fine showing for a High School of about three hundred and fifty students?

They are a fine lot of boys and their "High" is certainly proud of them,

Well as this is all the information I can give you at this time, will close. I am ever

Your faithful,

UNCLE SAM.

Patriotic Work At Home

Of course anything which we "stay-at-homes" have done in patriotic work seems rather flat and weak when compared to the sacrifice made by the boys in the service, but at least we can say we have tried to do something.

One of the biggest things we have accomplished this year is our perfect record for Red Cross membership. With a promise of a banner to urge us on, and the rivalry between classes to see which would be first, to speed us up, the campaign went off with a rush. To most of us the dollar meant very little as a sacrifice, but when one hundred per cent is secured, it means that some people have given who really felt the loss of the dollar. This record is one that A. H. S. must in the future accept as a challenge.

A few girls in the high school have realized the seriousness of the need for Red Cross bandages. The Saturday afternoons and various other afternoons and evenings they have given have meant a real sacrifice of selfish pleasures to the girls. There is little glamor or show to this kind of work and the school can safely boast of these earnest workers.

About eighty-five boys in our high school have a certificate that they are proud of because it represents to them a sacrifice of some things they wanted. These boys pledged to earn and pay ten dollars to the Y. M. C. A. War Fund. The speakers who presented this to the boys must have made all those who did not sign up feel like slackers. Mr. Steffey must be thanked for the way in which he has shouldered the burden of securing work and keeping the boys reminded

of their pledges. If this eight hundred and fifty dollars brought cheer to any homesick or wounded soldier, surely the boys have been repaid many times for the little things they went without.

Knitting for the Red Cross flourished during the winter months, and it would be interesting to know the amount of work turned in from the high school. The teachers especially led in this work, some of them getting the habit so thoroughly that their conscience hurt if they stopped knitting except for classes. A few boys joined in this work besides the majority of the girls. These knitted articles must surely mean a great deal to the soldiers who receive them aside from their physical warmth.

The girls too, have made their contributions to war work. The Y. W. C. A. conducted a campaign and raised about fifty dollars by individual subscriptions. Work was not furnished for the girls as it was for the boys, and to many of them it meant little economies here and there.

One of the most pleasant patriotic events of the year was the joint Y. W. and Y. M. Carnival. This was an all High School stunt which netted about a hundred and eighty dollars. On the night of the Carnival, the H. S. Building was turned up-side down while the kids performed for the benefit of their parents and friends. This is another thing which Mr. Steffey is largely responsible for. The money from this Carnival went into Y. W. and Y. M. War Work.

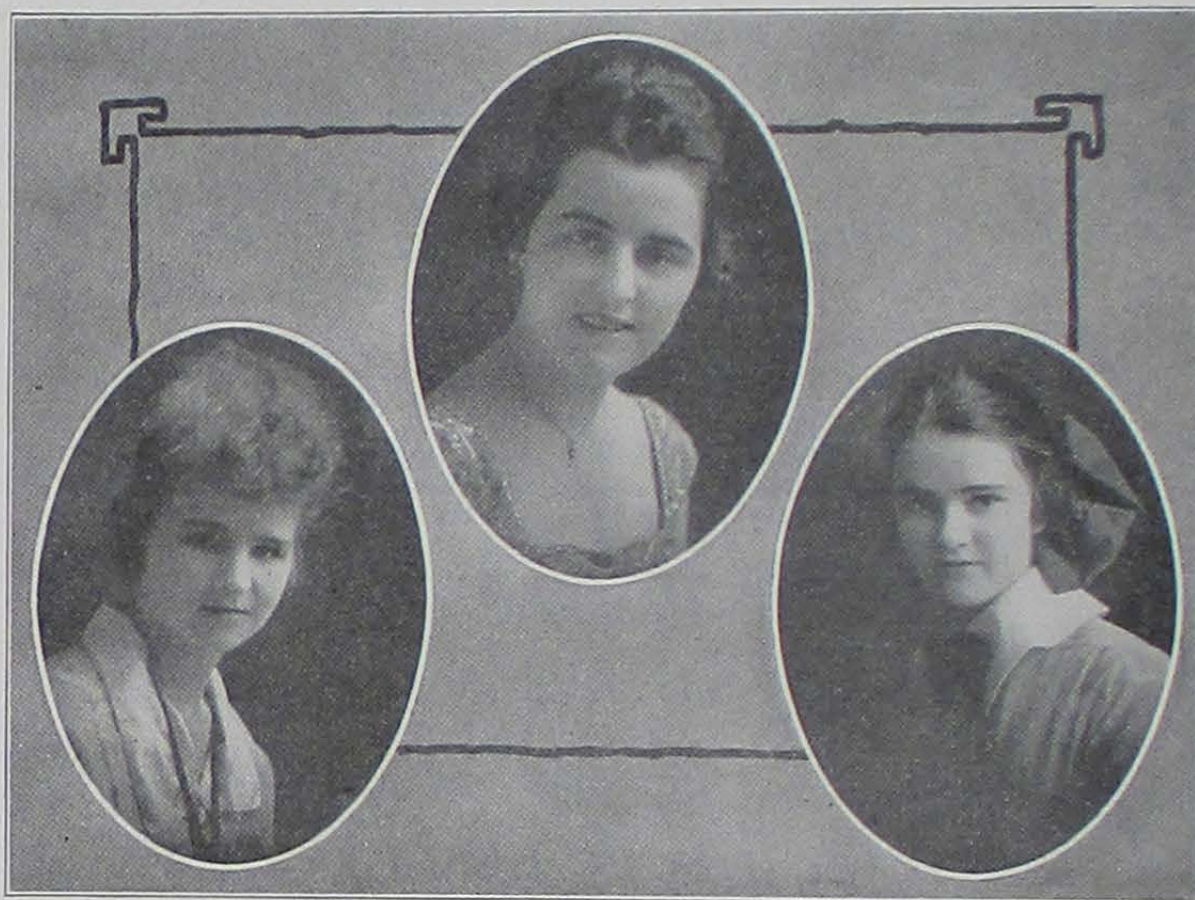
The Seniors voted unanimously to give the proceeds of the Senior Class Play to the Red Cross as a contribution in the recent campaign. This follows the precedent of last year and we are proud of this custom but hope it will not need to last very long.

T H R I F T is the way it looked around the High School during the whole last term. It was on the boards, in the Spirit in write-ups and advertisements, and prominent in the Halls. The various classes had a friendly rivalry in the investing of money. Even the various Assembly rooms and rows tried to beat each other. The total amount is small, but there is lots of hope for the campaign is still young, and will end only when the war ends. Liberty Bond buttons were also prominent at appropriate times, but a race in the investing of such huge sums was just a little beyond the hopes of even the thriftiest.

The work of the Boy Scouts along patriotic lines is another thing that we can well be proud of. They have proved themselves "Prepared" on more than one occasion.

In the last few weeks of school, it began to look as if we didn't have any boys in the school out of short pants. Forty-seven of our boys turned farmers to help Uncle Sam and our Allies in the food crisis. These boys are fighting the Kaiser without any guns, but their work is surely going to count.

Popularity Contest



Beatrice Olson

Lucille Lang

Dorothy McCarroll

The only way to have friends is to be one.

—Emerson.

Beatrice Olson

"Beatie" belongs to Ames High heart and soul. When but a Prep, Beatrice was elected President of the class and has taken an active part in all of our activities since that time. She has given the readers of the Spirit many a good laugh in the joke department of the News, Literary and Annual editions of the Spirit. During the past year she has devoted practically every Saturday afternoon and Monday evening to Red Cross work. The High School girls recognized her sincerity when they elected her president of the High School Girl's Red Cross Society. Taken all in all, Beatrice is a good all around girl, full of fun, yet dependable and earnest, and always friendly to everyone.

Lucille Lang

"Lucy" is one of the peppiest girls in school. We hardly ever put on an entertainment without Lucille's taking an active part in it. When she had charge of anything, there was no rest for the other people until they had done what they were supposed to do. Lucille has always been behind the athletic teams, giving the kind of support and encouragement that they needed. During the past year, she has been one of our yell leaders, and her pep has meant something to the boys on the teams. If her name was only Polly we could call her, popular, pretty, peppy, pushing, practical, prepared, promising Polly.

Dorothy McCarroll

"Dot" has made many friends in her two years in high school because of her open, straight forward friendliness. Her best high school years are still ahead of her, but already she has shown her interest in all of our activities. As one of her friends characterized her, she is "an all round good scout, raring to go, and ready to try and do everything." With such a group of friends as Dorothy has, and her general friendliness to everybody, she is bound to leave her mark in "Old Ames High."

Sweet Memories



Mr. Lyman
West High
Des Moines



Edna McIntosh
(Mrs. Lyman)
Des Moines



Grace McIlrath
(Mrs. Parker)
Gilman, Iowa



Mr. Henry Geise
Iowa State College
Ames



Miss Ada Sprague
North High
Des Moines



Sadie Clark
(Mrs. Schregardus)
Columbus, Ohio



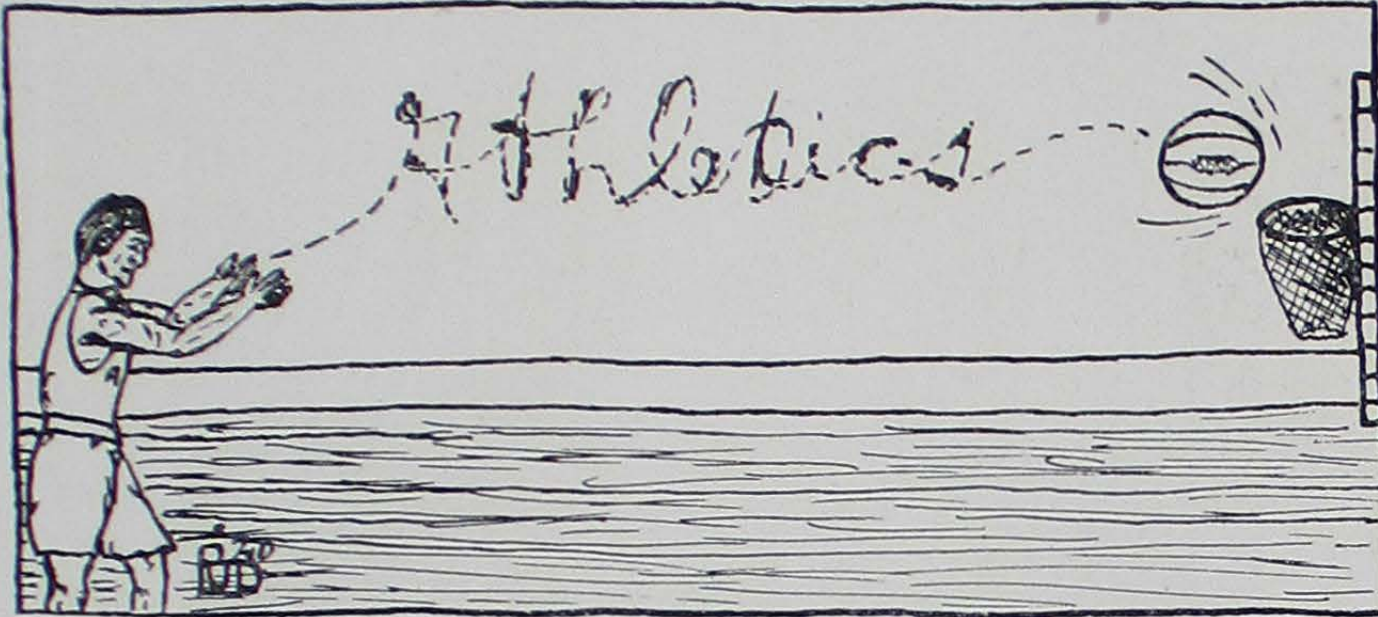
Mr. A. F. Caldwell
Mokenca, Ill.



Miss Rose Johnson
Mobridge,
S. Dakota

Should auld acquaintance be forgot,
And never bro't to mind?
Should auld acquaintance be forgot,
And days of auld lang syne?

—Burns.



If by gaining knowledge we destroy our health,
we labor for a thing that will be useless in our hands;
he that sinks his vessel by overloading it, though it be
with gold, and silver and precious stones, will give
its owner but an ill account of his voyage.

—Bacon.



A Tribute to Coach Thompson

To Coach Thompson's sincere devotion to his work and to his uprightness in every act must be attributed the success we have attained in athletics the past year. To mention high school athletics without the thought of Thompson immediately flashing across our minds, would be an impossibility.

During the three years he has been with us his life has rung true, and his genuine impartiality has been stamped on all his acts. His untiring efforts to make the A. H. S. rank high in clean, wholesome athletics have surely been rewarded by the increased interest in the work.

While we are gratified to greet him as our instructor, we are proud to call him our friend.

Review of Athletics

As the few remaining days of high school rapidly come to a close, the A. H. S. students can look back over the past year and be proud that they were enrolled in a high school that ranks as high in athletics as Ames.

Because of our inability to participate in inter-scholastic athletics, as soon as school opened in September, Coach Thompson arranged a schedule for inter-class games. The main sports in which the four classes competed were tennis, football and basketball.

TENNIS

The tennis series was so arranged that each class played out an elimination tournament and the winners in each class were to play for the high school championship, but for some unknown reason the series was never completed. Probably it was because a majority of the boys were more interested in football.

The only class which finished its schedule was the Senior, Victor Beach being the winner. The Junior and Freshman classes were slower in starting and only a few games had been played when the high school boys were stricken with the football fever. The Spring tournament had not been played when the Spirit went to press.

FOOTBALL

When school commenced all of the "A" men had enlisted or entered other schools so Mr. Thompson thought it would be profitable for the boys to spend some time learning the game and for this reason he arranged a series of class games. The boys practiced three times a week, learning how to punt, catch, throw, fall on the ball, tackle and run signals.

The Juniors and Freshmen again showed their slowness to get into the game as they had in tennis. Many nights of precious practice had passed before these two classes could "round up" enough players to organize teams. All the players knew the real battle would be between the Sophomores and the Seniors, the Sophomores being picked as slight favorites. The finishing touches were given to the teams and then the coin was flipped. What was the cause of the silence? Horrors! The Seniors had to play the Sophs the first game while the Freshmen played the Juniors.

SENIORS 0—SOPHOMORES 13

The score tells the tale. The northwest wind numbed the fingers of the players so that many fumbles were made. In the first quarter the ball flew back and forth, mostly forth though, as most of the Seniors were inexperienced

Class Champions in Football



First Row—Burnice Hubbard, End; Leslie Gray, L. Half; Roy Bennett, Quarter; Elis Scovel, Full Back; Donald Hunter, Sub. End.

Second Row—Sam Carter, End; Joe Marcunus, Guard; Alvin Thornburg, Center; Norman Corneluissen, Guard; Ralph Mayo, Tackle.

Third Row—Earl Elliot, R. Half; Frank Oliver, Tackle.

men and were forced to the limit to check the onslaught of some of the experienced Sophs. Despite the Senior efforts, Elliott got away for a touch down near the end of the first quarter. When the second quarter started, the Sophs. were within twenty yards of the Senior goal. After many line plunges Scovel "went over" for the final touchdown.

In the last half the Seniors played the Sophs. on equal terms and succeeded in showing them what the upper classmen were made of.

JUNIORS 19—PREPS. 3

The "little, but oh my" team commenced the game as if they were going to do something desperate to the Juniors. Griffith's line plunging, with the aid of O'Brien, Thompson and Naughton forced the Juniors to be contented with the short end of a 3 to 0 score at the end of the first half. The Juniors pepped up, in the last two quarters and with Cupps and Ross smashing the line, succeeded in making three touchdowns.

SOPHOMORES 53—PREPS. 0

There has probably been "nuff" said although it might be added that Elliott, Bennett, and Scovel were thinking seriously of entering the spring track meet after they had made such a good showing for the Sophs.

SENIORS 13—JUNIORS 0

The Seniors trimmed the Juniors mid a flurry of snow by two touchdowns, one made by Musson, who carried the ball thirty yards after intercepting a pass and the other on straight football. The Juniors were forced to resort to the passing game, completing several in spite of numb fingers.

SOPHOMORES 37—JUNIORS 0

The Sophs. found a little tougher proposition when they met the Juniors altho the Sophs. considered it another track meet as with the Preps. Grey, Elliott, Scovel, and Bennett played their usual game, while Meyers, Jarvis, Hess, and Potter starred for the Juniors.

SENIORS 12—PREPS. 0

This was one of the hardest fought games of the season. The Preps fought as if it meant either life or death to them. The first half ended in favor of the Seniors 6-0. In the third quarter Winters repeated his former trick and smashed across the line for the final touchdown.

SOPHOMORES 20—ALL STARS 2

This was probably the most interesting and exciting game of the season. The question to be settled was whether the Sophs were school champions. The All Star team consisted of eleven of the best players picked from the Preps, Juniors, and Seniors. The All Stars were completely outclassed except in forward passing. The feature of the game was a fifty yard run by Scovel for a touchdown. The Sophs won the game on just "plain football".

ALL SCHOOL FIRST AND SECOND TEAMS

1st TEAM	POSITION	2nd TEAM
Bennett	L. E.	Naughton
Mayo	L. T.	Meyers
Jarvis	L. G.	Corneliussen
L. Johnson	C.	Thornburg
Marcunas	R. G.	E. Noble
Cupps	R. T.	Thompson
Belknap	R. E.	Goode
Sauvain	Q.	Potter
Grey	L. H.	Winters
Elliot	R. H.	Watkins
Scovel	F. B.	Innis

BASKETBALL

The first call for basketball players was answered by about fifty fellows. After several nights of practice a squad of twenty-five fellows was chosen to try out for the high school team. Innes and Sauvain of last year's team were two promising players. Also Scovel and Elliot of the Soph. team showed excellent form. Coach Thompson arranged to complete most of the class games by January 1.

The class games were played in two series. As in football the real fight was between the Sophomores and Seniors. The Seniors won the first series, while the Sophs. won the second and the "rubber" game, thus becoming class champions in basketball also. The secret of the Sophs' success lies in the number of athletes from the other classes in the service. The scores in the first series were: Sophs. 35—Juniors 17; Seniors 40—Preps. 3; Juniors 22—Preps 9; Sophs 20—Preps 5; Seniors 21—Sops. 16; Seniors 35—Juniors 11.

In the second round of the first series the scores were: Sophs. 19—Seniors 16; Sophs. 22—Juniors 6; Sophs. 57—Preps 1; Seniors 53—Preps 6; Juniors 16—Preps 4; Seniors 40—Juniors 14.

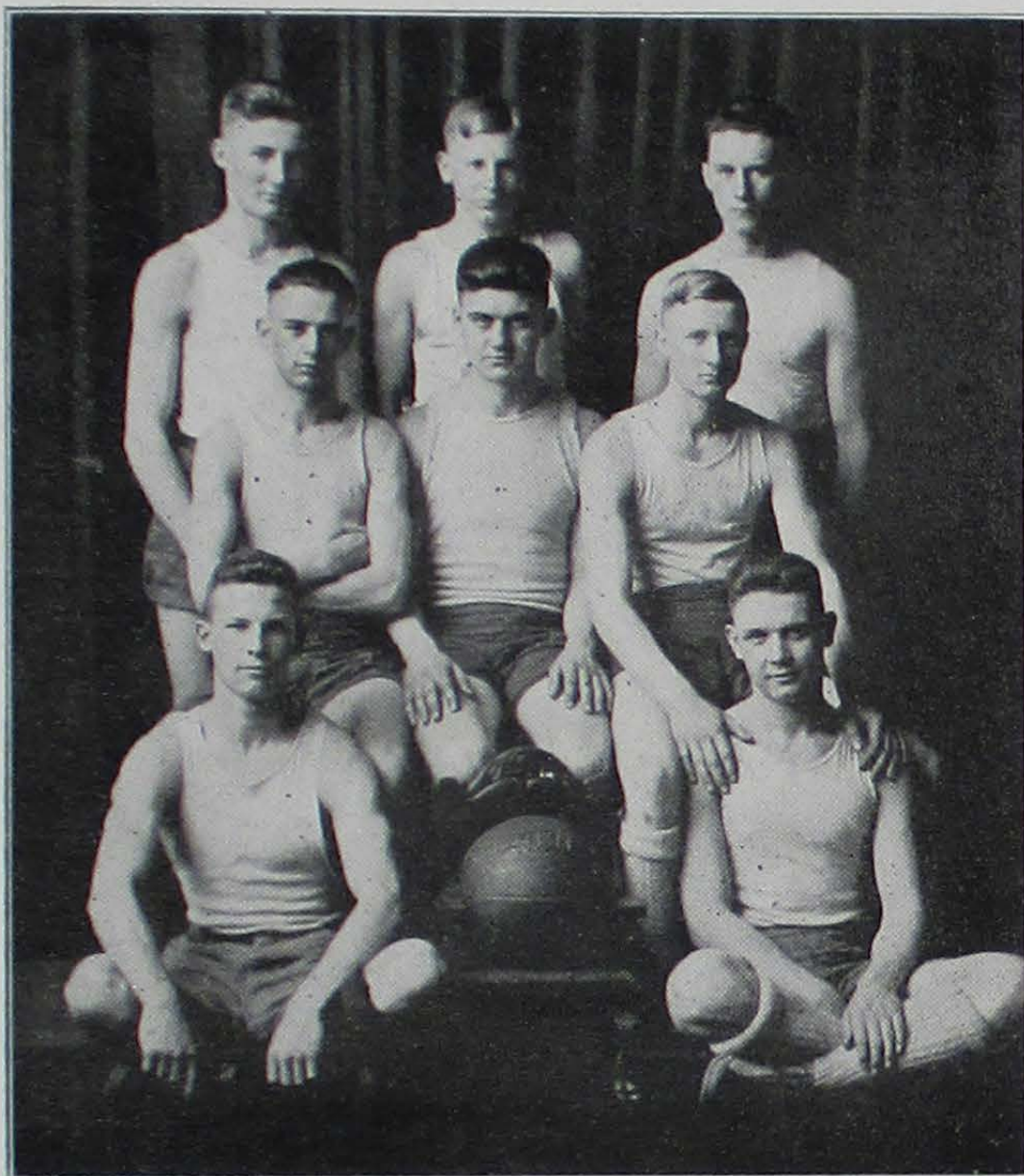
Since the Seniors and Sophs. had each been defeated, an extra game had to be played to decide the championship.

SOPHS. 24—SENIORS 4

The Sophs. completely outclassed their rivals and by so doing won high honors. Elliot and Thornburg starred for the victors while Innes was the only Senior player to make a field basket. The game was hard fought from start to finish but the Senior luck was missing.

Following the first team series a second team series was played. The Seniors proved that they were worthy and capable of winning some championship by defeating all the other classes with ease. With the close of the class games, the interest of the loyal supporters of A. H. S. was with the High School Basketball Team composed of Innes, Sauvain, Elliot, Scovel, Bennett, Watkins, Cornelius-

Class Champions in Basketball



Corneluissen	Colburn	Bennett
Hubbard	Thornburg	Elliot
Gray		Scovel

sen and Musson. Although Ames had a good team, they also had some good teams to play against. Most of Ames' players were inexperienced men. Their record, however, is very good and next year Ames High will have a team worthy of winning the state title.

AMES 7—BOONE 11

The first inter-high school game was with Boone. Both teams commenced the game fighting like demons. The score at the end of the first half was 1 to 0, in favor of Ames, neither side having been able to make a field basket. Boone came back strong in the second half of the game and took home the bacon. Scovel played a great game at guard and was responsible for the low score. Innes and Elliot also played good games. Johnston and Patterson made the eleven points for Boone.

SUMMARY

Field goals: Boone, Johnston 2, Patterson 3; Ames, Innes 3. Free throws: Boone, Johnston, Ames, Sauvain. Subs: Boone, Albord for Patterson.

AMES 34—ALUMNI 23

Ames changed her luck by defeating the "fast" Alumni team to the tune of 34-23. The Alumni played a splendid game for having had so little practice.

Subs: Musson for Bennett, Corneliussen for Innes, Alson for Shull. Referee, Harper.

AMES 6—BOONE 21

Again Ames met the strong Boone team and again the Orange and Black went down in defeat. The Ames team was off form and did not play with such vim as in former games. Bennett and Innes were the only A. H. S. players to get a field goal, each netting one apiece. However, Elliott's and Sauvain's floor work kept the ball out of danger many times. Johnston and Patterson were the "horseshoe" men for Boone.

Substitutes: Corneliussen for Bennett, Grant for Nelson, Cox for Patterson. Field Goals: Johnson 6, Patterson 2, Valline 1; Bennett 1, Innes 1. Free throws: Boone—Valline 2; Ames—Sauvain 2.

AMES 43—TOLEDO 10

Ames by superior team work and basket shooting, added another victory to its credit by winning from the undefeated Toledo quintet. Elliott and Sauvain played an excellent game caging ten of the twenty goals. Westfall, Toledo's star player, was held to one basket by the consistent guarding of Scovel. Raymond Byrnes led the A. H. S. rooters in some peppy yells and filled his position in excellent style considering that it was his first time.

Subs: Harlare for Lupton, Ribby for Du Pre, Corneliussen for Bennett, Watkins for Elliot.

AMES 35—NEVADA 21

Ames won another victory by defeating the Nevada team 35-21. The game was very fast as both teams were evenly matched. The score would probably have been different had it not been for the excellent guarding of Scovel.

There are a considerable number of loyal supporters of the Orange and Black in A. H. S. if one judges from the number who attended the game. It was probably on account of the "Fight Ames Fight" that the team won the game.

Field goals: Elliot 5, Bennett 4, Innes 4, Sauvain 2, Berka 2, Shau 3, Armstrong 3. Free throws: Sauvain 5, Innes 2, Armstrong 1, Berka 2, Shau 2.

AMES 32—ALGONA 44

The condition of the floor at Algona was one of the main factors which helped spell defeat for the local team as there were no outside lines. The feature of the game was the floor work of Innes, Sauvain and Elliott. The Ames team at

Varsity



First Row—Norman Corneliussen, Sub. Forward, Center; Thomas Musson, Sub. Forward;
Eugene Watkins, Sub. Guard.

Second Row—Earl Elliot, Running Guard; Elis Scovel, Standing Guard;
Nevin Innes, Center; Roy Bennet, Forward; Lester Sauvain, Forward.

"A" Men

Nevin Innes, Two "A's"

Lester Sauvain
Elis Scovel

Earl Elliot
Roy Bennet

times played circles around the Algona team but were very unfortunate in locating the basket.

Field Goals: Sauvain 5, Bennett 1, Elliott 4, Innes 6, Paine 1, Watson 14, Skinner 7.

AMES 11—MISSOURI VALLEY 17

Ames was eliminated by Missouri Valley in the first game of the district tournament which was held in the College Gym. This was the poorest game Ames played during the entire season. The players, with the exception of one or two, must have been out late the night before, because they didn't seem to realize or wake up to the fact that they were being beaten. The Missouri fellows seemed afraid to tackle Scovel at close range as most of their scores were made by long shots. This was the last game in which Lester Sauvain and Nevin Innes could help defend the honors of A. H. S. These two men will be greatly missed when the next basketball season arrives.

1918 BASKETBALL RECORD

Ames	7	Boone	11
Ames	34	Alumni	23
Ames	6	Boone	21
Ames	43	Toledo	10
Ames	35	Nevada	21
Ames	32	Algona	44
Ames	11	Missouri Valley	17
Ames	168	Opponents	147

GIRLS' ATHLETICS

The girls have made a big stride this last year toward making their athletics a part of the life of the school. They are waking up the school to the fact that a girl's "A" means something. If the boys could be made to take the "posture test" for three or six months, and learn how few of them could earn similar "A's" the girl's "A" would probably attract as much attention as the boy's "A".

The volley ball tournament which was held during February proved so much of a success that it will probably be duplicated. Considering that it did not have the interest which comes from an inter-class or inter-school tournament, as the contests of the boys do, it was indeed a success. All the games were peppy and full of competition. The picture of the winning team is given among the snap shots. With such a start, girl's athletics ought to build up gradually until they hold as much of a place in the life of the school as boy's athletics. This is no idle dream, for with properly adapted games begun in the grades, there is no reason why such an ideal should not be reached.



There is nothing new except what is forgotten.

—Alle. Martin.

Calendar for the School Year 1917-18

- Sept. 6.—School opens. First Spirit is published.
- Sept. 7.—Ada Sprague found missing, but “look who took her place.”
- Sept. 10.—Discovered we have given forty-one boys to the Army and Navy.
- Sept. 12.—Hi “Y” starts.
- Sept. 17.—Tom almost ruins Ina’s Ford on running into a bicycle.
- Sept. 19.—Miss Fickel says she is going to like the Freshmen.
- Sept. 21.—“Tain’t fair, we are going to have to take German.”
- Oct. 3.—Miss Boyd wins gold medal.
- Oct. 5.—Freshmen have a class meeting. Organize and “Everything”.
- Oct. 10.—Mable Rodgers hits a post, while driving her Ford.
- Oct. 17.—War Edition of Spirit.
- Oct. 26.—Preps. have a Masquerade Party.
- Oct. 27.—Sophs. wallop Seniors.
- Nov. 1.—Sophs win class championship in Football.
- Nov. 7.—Big Y. W. C. A. conference held here.
- Nov. 9.—All boys doll up for the girls.
- Nov. 10.—Tom Musson has date with three. (Lucky boy).
- Nov. 14.—Knitting classes are installed in A. H. S. “Klick, klick, the needles.”
- Nov. 27.—All School Team selected.
- Nov. 28.—By this date eighty-five girls have signed up for knitting.
- Dec. 1.—Miss Thornburg is carried home with a broken shoe-string.
- Dec. 7.—Seniors have taffy pull.
- Dec. 12.—Declamatory contestants try out. Good prospects.
- Dec. 13.—Miss Niles entertains the teachers at her home.
- Dec. 19.—Vacation comes. Hurrah!
- Dec. 21.—The big event of the year comes off.—THE CARNIVAL.
- Dec. 22.—Two weeks vacation starts. “Good bye, teacher!” cry the Freshies.
- Jan. 7.—School opens. “What did Santa bring you?”
- Jan. 15.—Frances Holm wins declamatory contest. “Congratulations.”
- Jan. 16.—Red Cross Banner earned.
- Jan. 18.—Mr. Pollard says his orchestra is ruined.
- Jan. 22.—Gilberte Luke and Edith Wallis dream of Dramatic Club.
- Jan. 30.—Mid winter. No coal on account of the war. Leave it to Ames to get it.
- Feb. 1.—Red Cross campaign starts. Junior class wins. Have 100 per cent.
- Feb. 3.—Buzz Lang loses letter. Big commotion in High School.
- Feb. 7.—German spy in school. “Measles, Measles.”

Freshmen

President	Ralph Dalbey	Secretary	Gwen Edwards
Vice-President . . .	Marjorie Beam	Reporter	Marie Rayness



First Row—Florence Speers, Erma Olson, Mary Wasser, Edna Armstrong, Marie Rayness, Burnita Burton, Harriet Sloss, Ada Nelson, Gwen Edwards, Marjorie McDonald, Gladys Groth, Eva Hoffman, Lottie Fisher, Vera Rodgers, Genevieve Osam, Grace Johnson, Bonita Costigan, Edna Coe.

Second Row—Clyde Griffith, Bernice Woodward, Ethel Armstrong, Emily Mellor, Eddie McCune, Violet Tripp, Josephine Maroney, Opal Briley, Ada Robinson, Hazel Ball, Loreen Ragsdale, Ruth Potee.

Third Row—Harold Griffith, Carl Wilson, Pearl Nunamaker, Ted Kooser, Agnes McCarthy, Edith Speers, Ruth Confare, Bertha Lawson, Ines Ball, Grace Harris, Hattie Ball.

Fourth Row—Verna Nelson, Fay Griffith, Harriet Atwood, Zelma Holmes, Clyde Tanner, Mae Adamson, Lloyd Glidden, Myrl Garretson, Gladys Allen, Neva Spence, Agnes Noble.

Fifth Row—Albert Tesdall, Ethelyn Cole, Gertrude Murray, Mildred Ghrist, Mildred Porter, Inis Peterson, Elizabeth Scovel, Blanche Bentley, Evelyn Downey, Harriet Allen, Mary Reed, Barbara Stanton, Neva Gilbert, Hasseltine Mettlin, Geverna Erickson.

Sixth Row—Clinton Adams, Lowell Houser, Russel Ives, Raymond Duckworth, Brice Gamble, Vera Grover, Marjorie Beam, Ethelyn Colburn, Ruth Miller, Donald Fancher, Arnold Livingston, Edna Wearth, Jessie Gibbs.

Seventh Row—Floyd Soderstrum, Howard Gore, Wm. Frasche, Lyle Haverly, Russell Osborne, Leon Ragsdale, Galen Valline, Verna Adamson, Geo. Rosenfeld, Thomas Clark, Clarence Bolton, Harold Gilbert.

Eighth Row—Clarence Godard, Barlett Proctor, Frank Warren, Earl Peterson, Leslie McWilliams, Paul Burns, Lisle Miller, Floyd Scarborough, Maxwell Beman, Marion Wearth.

- Feb. 8.—Pupils cry, "I hope Miss gets them so we won't have to recite in"
- Feb. 10.—Political campaign begins for yell leaders.
- Feb. 13.—Junior's Spirit appears.
- Feb. 15.—Lucille Lang and Raymond Byrnes win the fight.
- Feb. 14.—The Y. W. C. A. kid party is held in the gym. About one hundred girls attend, some dressed as boys and others as girls.
- Feb. 15.—Ames losses to Sioux City in debate.
- Feb. 18.—Cleo Allen trys out for A. H. S. basketball team.
- Feb. 20.—Miss Miller gets Measles. No Civics.
- Feb. 21.—The basketball tournament here. Good looking boys, ask the girls and Miss Thornburg.
- Feb. 22.—Miss Coskery gets Measles. No English!
- Feb. 24.—Miss Sprague gets Measles. No Latin!
- Feb. 20.—Report cards. "Nuff said." "Did you see my awful Civics grade?"
- Mar. 11.—Hollyce Wallick comes to school with her hair bobbed.
- March 16.—Frances Holm goes to Rockwell City to represent Ames in the district contest. Wins third place.
- March 18.—Thrift stamp campaign begins. Special assembly called and Mr. Hasbrouck speaks.
- March 19.—College has St. Patrick parade. Breaks up school. Thanks to the college.
- March 24.—Miss Stewart gets her picture taken before the Seniors do, because———?
- March 24.—Spring vacation. One whole week.
- March 25.—Nev. Innis, "Stub" Watkins and other boys leave for Reserve Work.
- April 8.—School opens.
- April 9.—Bob Thompson a hero—finds the three lost children.
- April 10.—Seniors try-out for class play.
- April 18.—Shut your eyes and look at Miss Coskery's new hat.
- April 30.—Seniors still practising for class play.
- May 3.—High School Picnic.
- May 10.—Senior Class play. "We never knew Gilberte before."
- May 22.—Senior assembly. "Oh you kids!"
- May 24.—Senior class Day Exercises. No one had his feeling hurt.
- May 25.—Junior-Senior Reception.
- May 26.—Baccalaureate Sermon.
- May 30.—Decoration Day—Holiday!
- May 31.—Commencement Exercises.



President . . . Roy Bennett
Vice-President Homer Tostlebe

Secretary . . . Leslie Gray
Reporter . . . Marion Smith



First Row—Howard McColly, Ralph Mayo, Elis Scovel, Burton Colburn, Ted Jones, Harry Stewart, Roy Bennett.

Second Row—Merril Hunter, Donald Hunter, Alford Carlton, Harold Giebelstein, Homer Tostlebe, Jonas Tesdall, Marion Spring, Ackley Beman, Russell Thompson, Donald Durrell, Leslie Gray.

Third Row—Donald Hucke, Theodore Blonquist, Edward Rutherford, Percy Adams, Sam Battell, Carvel Caine, Alvin Nelson.

Fourth Row—Ruth Hall, Elizabeth Fox, Letha Seymour, Berniece Eller, Hollyce Wallick, Cheryl Wallick, Lois Ross, Gladys Ross, Merna Lee, Blanche McCauley, Lyla French.

Fifth Row—Hazel McKibbon, Catherine Morris, Norma Cole, Norma Haverly, Lillian Kelso, Grace Vickery, Viola Rahe, Blanche Noble, Myrna Tripp, Dorothy McCarroll, Marion Smith, Mildred McCauley, Ila French, Helen Dean.

Sixth Row—Dorothy Miller, Fern Dodge, Lura Woods, Ida Harper, Ramona Knipe, Harriet Schleiter, Nelly Maroney, Edith Cox, Barbara Wentch, Ida Thomas, Tena Nelson, Ethel Rayness.

Doings of the "Hi Y"

The real big thing the "Hi Y" has accomplished this year is the spirit of friendship it has built up among the boys of the high school. The boxing and other athletic stunts which were a part of every program, brought the boys together in a way that could not be accomplished by any other method. Some of the best and most interesting talks of the school year occurred at the Wednesday evening meetings. The talks of Mayser, Clyde Williams, Rodgers, Ned Merriam, Charles Helsey and some of the others, touched the boys who heard them more than they would care to admit. After the talks, there came bible study. Not the dried-up kind, but real, live, high school affairs, bible study. Then the boys who liked to sing gathered around Mr. Pollard at the piano, and sung till Jim had to drive them out by turning out the lights.

The "Y" stood back of two big things that alone make the past year successful. It acted as the agent for the collection of "Y" Pledges, keeping the boys awake to what they had promised. The Carnival was also given jointly with the Y. W., and the fun and money this Carnival coined are certainly worth remembering.

Ames sent delegates to two conventions. One at Boone, a district "Hi Y" and Sunday School Convention, where sixteen boys had the time of their lives and advertised Ames to their hearts content; and the Life Work Conference at Des Moines. Three of the senior boys went to this Life Work Conference and the depth of its effects would be hard to measure.

The officers for the past year were, Eugene Watkins, President, and Walton Goode, Vice-President, elected to fill the vacancies left by Donald Soper and Winifred Crabbs. In the last semester, Willis Belknap was elected to fill the place of Eugene Watkins. "Bob" Potter was the hard-worked Secretary-Treasurer during the whole year. Victor Beach, Ralph Thompson, Richard Beckman, Barclay Noble, Nevin Innes and King Jarvis served in the Cabinet that kept things moving.

Y. W. C. A. Events

Ames High School is proud of the fact that they have a large active Y. W. C. A. Although this is their first year, it has been one full of vigor and accomplishment; one in which the Y. W. has been so firmly launched that its future seems very bright and promising.

The purpose of the Y. W. C. A. is to bring about a spirit of friendliness among the girls and to help them to be better Christians in their daily life. In order to do this the work is assigned to four committees as follows:

Membership—Sara Brown, Chairman; Program—Beatrice Olson, Chairman; Social Service—Lena Nelson and Lydia Tilden, chairmen; Social—Dorothy Harriman, Chairman.

These committees are divided into sub-committees, giving work to a larger



JUNIORS

"Mostly Girls"

President . . . Waldo McDowell
Vice-Pres. . . . Fern Grover

Secretary . . . Florence Godard
Reporter . . . Harriet Tilden



First Row—Edna Dressler, Fern Grover, Marie Mortensen, Carolyn Crosby, Helen Nesbit, Verna Clark, Jennie McCuskey, Goldie Jacobson, Gertrude Reis, Sara Brown, Florence Godard.

Second Row—Nordica Stokka, Ruth Prall, Myrtle McCannon, Hazel Nesbit, Lydia Tilden, Grace Pohlman, Loraine Caul, Dorothy Gruwell.

Third Row—Grace Iden, Myrtle Johnson, Ivadell Elwood, Hazel Richter, Elizabeth Gleason, Olive Husted, Estella Sill, Gladys Myers, Eleanor Murray, Jeanette Beyer, Harriet Tilden.

Fourth Row—Hazel Taylor, Martha Lesan, Florence Snook, Priscilla Dodds, Lucile Nichels.

Fifth Row—Carl Briley, Chevalier Adams, Raymond Byrnes, Byron Gunder, Wayne Cupps, Harry Williams, R. Potter, Dorothy Harriman, King Jarvis, D. Crooks.

Sixth Row—Earl Raynes, Burnice Hubbard, George Puffett, Joe Anderson, Waldo McDowell, Lowell Mattox, Dan McCarthy, M. Howell, Roy Hess, G. Pohlman.

number of girls, and at the same time creating a keener interest in the organization.

Last winter a conference was held here, in which two hundred and fifty Y. W. girls from all over the state were entertained in the homes of the Ames High girls. Many interesting meetings and good times were enjoyed, including a banquet and a trip around the college, which made the girls feel a closer relationship with other girls in the state. This conference was given with the help of the college Y. W.

The Carnival, given jointly by the Y. M. and Y. W., suggests a never-to-be-forgotten evening, when comedies and tragedies were alike participated in. The Y. W.'s share of the net proceeds, \$88.75, was given in part to the army Y. M. C. A., and the rest was put in the Geneva fund. Many of the girls made pledges to the army Y. W. C. A. and Y. M. C. A.

Later a Kid Party was given, in which "the children" were treated with pop corn and stick candy and spent most of their time laughing at the other fellow.

A Christmas party was given to children who were not accustomed to visitations from Santa Claus. There was a Christmas tree, elaborately decorated with pop-corn, candy and tops. After the tree the girls gathered the children together and told them stories.

A China-Meeting was held in April, attended by all the high school girls. Miss Daisy Brown, a missionary from Foochow, China, spoke to them, telling of her experiences in China and what the Y. W. C. A. has meant to Chinese girls and women. The girls readily responded to a call for pledges to the Y. W. fund in China.

The girls of Ames High are loyal in every sense of the word, and with their high ideals and desires for the future they will certainly accomplish a great deal.

The officers for the year 1917-1918 were:

President, Ina Reins, (Lillie Roberson)

Vice-President, Sara Brown.

Secretary, Harriett Tilden.

Treasurer, Doris Wherry.

Members of the Permanent Board:

June Miller, Chairman of Executive Committee.

Mirah Mills, Advisor to Membership Committee.

Ruth Baird, Advisor to Program Committee.

Lillie Roberson, President of Y. W. C. A.

Mrs. Gates Brown, Advisor to Social Service Committee.

Mrs. A. J. Steffey, Advisor to Social Service Committee.

Mrs. D. F. Anderson, Advisor to Treasurer.

High School Orchestra



First Row—Myrl Garretson, flute part on piano; Fern Grover, piano; Homer Tostlebe, cornet; Floyd Soderstrum, second violin; Burton Colburn, first violin; Ida Harper, first violin; Pearl Nunamaker, first violin.

Second Row—Vera Grover, obligato violin; Thelma Houghan, obligato violin; Marjorie McDonald, second violin; Florence Godard, cello; Lura Woods, first violin; Clarence Godard, first violin; Robert Murray, clarinet.

Why We Have an Orchestra

Our reason for having a high school orchestra is that we wish to keep our high standard in comparison with other schools. In order to do this we must have the activities in our high school balanced. We want to give every one an opportunity to become well developed by opening as many interests as possible to him and to offer every one a chance to develop the talent that he has. So we intermingle studies, athletics, public speaking, debates, and music.

Another reason for our having an orchestra in our high school is to provide a phase of work for those that are not athletic or are not gifted with talent in the line of public speaking.

In the third place, an orchestra helps to bring better music before our school. We can see what the "Living Picture Festival" has done for us in Art. We are now better able to appreciate and understand pictures and to know what good pictures are. Familiarity with good music creates a standard and trains the judgment.

The orchestra is becoming a familiar and popular feature of our assemblies, and has appeared at other times such as the Senior Class Play, Living Picture Festival and in the graduation exercises.

The Debating Team



Alford Carlton

Barclay Noble

Leslie Gray

Debating

The best thing about this year's debating is the prospects for a winning team next year. With two "veterans" trying for places, Ames ought to be able to put out a winning team.

The question of the State Debating League was Government Ownership of Railroads. Ames was to debate Carroll in the first round, but the second round of debates passed before the State head-quarters decided that Carroll must forfeit to Ames because of some difficulties in choosing sides. Ames was then paired with Sioux City. Sioux City had the big advantage of having a team which had met two other teams on the same subject. At the last moment two judges failed to appear, and local judges had to be substituted.

In argument, Ames held her own, but the Sioux City team showed the result of the polishing it had received and won two to one. This was a bitter pill for the boys who had worked so hard, but they felt that next year both teams were going to be polished. Miss Stewart was an excellent coach, and if she stays, our chances are indeed bright.

Father and Son Banquet

The men of the High School faculty won a warm place in the hearts of the fathers and sons in Ames by the way they carried out the annual banquet. Without doubt, it was the most successful that has ever been held here. Mr. Hicks acted as Toast-master, and Mr. Steffey, Mr. Thompson, Rev. Johnson, Willis Belknap and Roy Bennett gave short toasts or talks. The talks of Steffey and Thompson especially will never be forgotten by the boys that were there.

At this banquet, a movement was started which will mean that next year "movie day" will be popular in A. H. S., and the camera will belong to the High School.

Home Declamatory Contest



First Row—Harriet Schleiter, Myrtle Hall, Ethlyn Colburn, Myrna Tripp, Vera Grover
Second Row—Lorraine Caul, Fern Grover, Lillie Roberson, Ida Harper, Frances Holm

Declamatory Work

After lots of little pushes given by Miss Fickel, twenty-five people appeared on December 17 and 18, the nights of the try-outs for the Home Contest. Mrs. Coffin of the Public Speaking Department of the College acted as judge and selected the contestants for the Home Contest. These students appear in the picture given above.

On January 16, after more polishing, the Home Contest was held before the whole school. Frances Holm was the one selected to represent Ames at the sub-district contest at Dayton. She gave her reading in the dramatic class. Anna Lindauer was the winner in the Oratorical Division, and Vera Grover won in the Humorous Division. These three girls received five dollar gold pieces donated by The Tilden Store Company, The Fair Store and Gus Martin.

In the sub-district contest at Dayton, Frances won third place. This is quite an advancement over last year. "One step at a time" you know, is a very good motto. Let's keep it up.

The "Spirit's" Year

During the past year, eighteen numbers of the Spirit have been put out besides this Annual. The Business Manager has a receipt for a several year's old fifty dollar debt, a balance of about one hundred and seventy dollars, and a self-supporting Annual to show for these numbers of the Spirit. All the Spirit funds except twenty dollars, will be turned into a School Sinking Fund, which will be used for many useful purposes about the school next year.

With such a successful year financially, it is only a matter of time until a weekly paper can be put out.

"A Russian Honeymoon"



First Row—Leslie Gray, Stage Manager; Miss Sprague, Director.

Second Row—Mary Battell, Walton Goode, Naomi Fitch, Doris Wherry, Forrest Clark, Hazel Cave, Peasants.

Third Row—Lucille Lang, Mable Rodgers, William Sherman, William Winters, Frances Holm, Marguerite Kirkham, Peasants.

Fourth Row—Harold Kooser, Koulikoff Demetrovitch; Lillie Roberson, Baroness Vladimir; Gilberte Luke, Poleska; Barclay Noble, Count Woroffski (Alexis); Lyman Osam, Ivan; Edith Wallis, Micheline; Lester Sauvain, Osip.

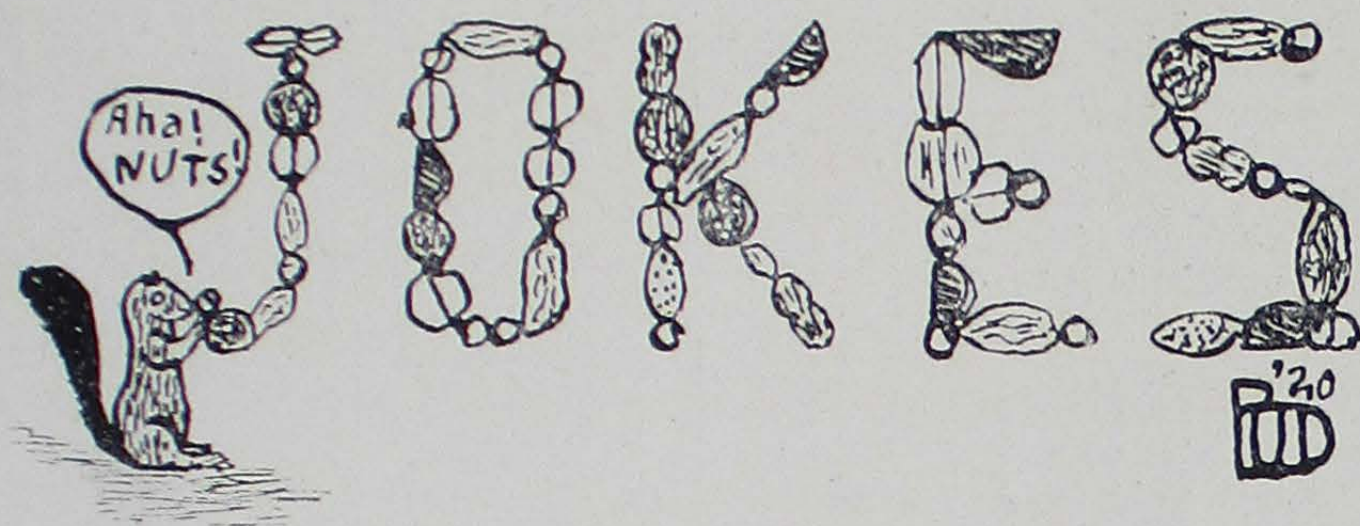
Senior Class Play

The Senior Class Play, "A Russian Honeymoon," thrilled and amused a large audience on May 10th. With all the disadvantages that could have possibly appeared to overcome, Miss Sprague succeeded in polishing the cast to a point of perfection.

The two leading parts were very well acted, Gilberte showing wonderful ability in the emotional scenes especially. She played her part so well that the audience disliked her pride until the third act showed her true character, when everybody felt glad. Edith Wallis seemed made for her part. Her expression and actions always seemed just what they should be. Lillie Roberson as the Baroness brought the pride and frivolity of court life to the audience.

Probably the hit of the play was Ivan, the old shoemaker as played by Lyman Osam. His proverbs and actions made the audience laugh whenever he appeared. Harold Kooser as the over-bearing Intendent, succeeded in playing that trying part in a very realistic way. Lester Sauvain seemed born for the part of the young lover. The extras in the play were all good. To really act in one of these minor parts takes a great deal of ability, because so much is left to the imagination.

The net proceeds of the play, which amounted to one hundred and ten dollars, was given as a contribution in the recent Red Cross drive.



If you your lips would guard from slips,
Five things observe with care;
Of whom you speak, to whom you speak,
And how, and when, and where.

The best jokes will be found in the advertising section.

FOOLISH LIMERICKS

N. B. These limericks are intended to be of special benefit to "preps" who will have to study them deeply since they are like Browning's poems, obscure but very soulful.

I

To King Charles of England
There once was an English king
named Charley,
Who taxed all the people,—even for
barley;
But Parliament kicked,
And Charley they fixed,
Now wasn't that "rawther" jolly?

II

To Armirilly Simpkins Corde
There once was an old speedstress
named Corde,
Who found great pleasure in coaxing
a Ford;
But the blame thing went wild,
When the weather got mild;
And now she's helping the Lord.

III

To Theophilus Jones—Musician
There once was a geezer called Jones,
Who continually rattled on bones,
I made a mistake
When I called him a fake,
But I still think him askew on his
tones.

Author's confession or remarks:
In these three short limericks I have
no doubt succeeded in tormenting the
reader so that he will never again wish
to peruse any of my higher and more
intellectual musings.

Gerard Rayness.

There was a young lady named Mable
Who to crank her Ford, was not able
So she made it her plan
To beam on some man,
And with her sweet smile,
Make him think it worth while,
To crank a Ford, for a lady.

IN DREAMS IT HAPPENS

Seniors refraining from passing
the proofs of their pictures to every-
one in the study hall—

Silence in the Study Hall—

Winning the Sioux City debate—

A peaceful Lincoln's birthday cel-
ebration—

No War—

Winning the basket-ball tourna-
ment—

Seniors securing class champion
ship—

Material for the "Spirit" in on
time—

Prompt payment of class dues—

A. H. S. receiving that promised
Red Cross 100 per cent flag—

Carl Wilson making an oration—

Ed Rutherford knocking down Joe
Markunas—

"Dutch" Griffith squeezing thru
a knot hole—

Order during a Senior Literary
program.

LET US DONATE

Enid Edwards some new jokes—

Pity for English students—

A way to work Mr. Steffey—

Frank Coulter, Mrs. Child's Tenny-
sonian expressions—

Margaret Sloss our refined manners—

Ruth Prall and Ted Jones our sym-
pathy—

Dorothy McCarroll, Roy Dalbey's af-
fections.

"Sh-sh-sh! Earl Noble is going to
be arrested. The secret service agents
are after him now."

"What's the charge?"

"Hoarding fat!"

There was an Ag. Prof. in Ames High
Who went to the Library—Oh my!

But he felt rather fussed

When for whispering just

Miss Fickel made known she was nigh.

Who's Who and Why

Name	Chief Occupation	Ambition	Noted For	Ought to Be
Boyd	Saving time	Gold medal for all	Being a good scout	More dignified
Coffee	Worrying	Start a Woman's army	Keeping secrets	A minister's wife
Fickel	Scaring people	Dancing teacher	Her smile	A suffragette
Gates	Doing her bit	Grandmother	Her music	Married
Thornburg	Preparing lessons	To make us work	Friends	Good
Williams	Physical exercise	An angel	Different skirts	Fortune teller
Miller	Studying civics	To be grown up	Versatility	Less frivolous
Coskery	Helping the Spirit	To know something	White suit	A model
Mrs. Childs	Keeping house	End the school term	Vocabulary	On next year's faculty
Sprague	Working over time	American spy	Ability	A movie fan
Stewart	Being in love	To end the war	Rheumatism	Bashful
Niles	Smiling	Heavy weight	Experience	An author
Curtis	Lending a hand	(Secret)	Being with Miss Boyd	Wealthy
Barnes	Writing letters	To be married	Good form	Way down South
Thompson	Making his garden grow	"Smokeless" High	Roberta	An artist
Steffey	Helping others	A perfect school	Announcements	Matinee idol
Singer	Supporting his family	Poet	Curly hair	Grand opera "Singer"



"Girl Champions"



"Our Friends"



"Hoboes"



"Oh you watermelon."



"yell-leaders."



"Space-filler."



"Aren't we cute."



DEDICATED TO "DOUG."

It was one fine day and we'd been to
the show,
To see Douglas Fairbanks whom you
all know.
And as we came out, we jumped into
the car,
We were trying already to act like
the star.

We sped up the street about "30 miles
per,"
When all of a sudden we happened to
miss her.
We looked to the left and we looked
to the right,
And that which we saw, surely gave
us a fright.

Some one gave a scream and some one
gave a cry,
But the girl on the pavement just
opened one eye.
She was covered with dust from her
feet to her head
And the marvelous thing was that
she wasn't dead.

We picked up the remains as best we
could,
And lifted it up right over the hood.
Her knees were both skinned and her
hose were all torn,
She surely presented a picture for-
lorn.

"But how did you happen to fall from
the car,
Did you not fear it your beauty would
mar?"
"I was trying to see could I jump
from the seat,
And that's all I remember till I
sprawled on the street.

"Never, no never will I ever again,
As a woman try to walk in the steps
of the men.
For as Doug has excelled all the oth-
ers by far
So I fear I'll ne'er rival that grand
movie star."

WOULD YOU SUSPECT?

That Miss Niles once led a church
choir—

That Miss Fickel was locked out of
the "Dorm" one night for not get-
ting in by 10 o'clock—

That Miss Williams was once in a
vaudeville show—

That Miss Gates' finance is an Army
Chaplin—

That Miss Coffey isn't capable of
teaching ballet dancing—

That Margaret Sloss ever talks
about her teachers—

That Lucille's Ford isn't to get
her everywhere.

Since many friends have at times
at all hours of the
day and night, I take the privilege of
publishing herewith a schedule of
the places where I can be found at
stated times:

1st period—Physical Torture Den
in the cellar—Robert Thompson, Lion.

2nd period—The Roman Senate—
Miss Williams, Dictator.

3rd period—Academy of Mental
Anguish—Miss Niles, Dean and Chief
Anguisher.

4th period—House of Whispers and
Sighs—Miss Stewart, First-Class
Sigher and Whisperer.

6th period—Among the cows and
chickens in the Garrett—J. W. Clar-
son, Best Milker and Chicken Fancier.

7th period—Musical Association of
Wood Butchers—H. G. Singer, Presi-
dent and Chief Musician.

At all others hours not stated above
I am where I ought to be.

(Signed) Earl Elliot.

ARTICLES REJECTED

Lovely Maidens, by Tom Musson—

Revised Slang Quotations, by Mil-
dred Coons and Elizabeth Fox.

His Frat Pin, by Grace Kimball
and Elizabeth Gleason—

Choir Manners, by Theresa Judge
and Joe Anderson—

LABORED NOTHINGS

Why must we in the short course of human events, burden our hearts, ruin our dispositions, and put to flight all traces of beauty that might be induced to linger upon our countenances? Why all this—because of little wearisome trifles, “labored nothings?” Why on the loveliest days of spring, when birds are trying to out-sing each other, and flowers to out-bloom each other and breezes to out-blow each other,—why must human beings try to out-do each other?

By the school commandments we are strictly forbidden to enter the back door of the study hall. We must take one hundred steps (if they be like Marjorie Nichels’) or twenty-five strides (if like Gerard Rayness’) to the front door and then the same number out the back door plus the innumerable ones to our classes. If Miss Fickel, with the tail of her eye, does not catch a fleeting glimpse of us as we sneak in the back door, we are able to fulfill the present expectations of Conservation of shoe leather, disposition, (for all concerned), floors and time either for powdering, leaning over the radiators or taking a last (or more likely first) glance at the day’s lesson.

Do we not also have to carry out the orders of ascending the south stairs and decending the north ones,

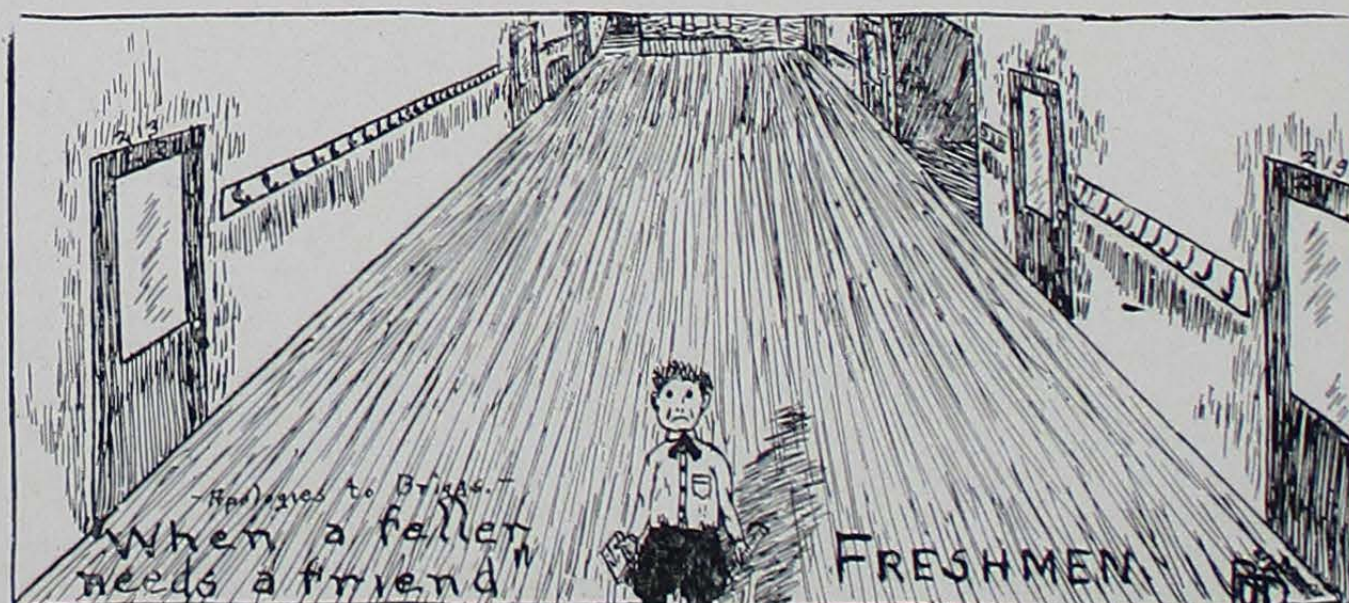
also keeping to the right of the corridors? And is it not the custom, my dear classmates, to meet the Faculty en-route in these wanderings?

Then, too, in these days of conservation why should we dispose of a perfectly good wad of gum before its enjoyment is fully completed. If the powers that be, would only realize the increase in mental ability caused by the juicy flavor, they would not only insist that we continue with the use of it, but they would also be patronizing that which they have forbidden us to enjoy.

It is not often that most of us have the chance of relaxing in such an extraordinary, magnificent yet home-like little rest room. It is such a temptation when one has nothing to study and especially when one is so stupendously brilliant that he does not have to study, to spend several periods daily conversing with others of his kind. Do we not have examples of Addison, Steele, Ben Johnson and others in the Coffee houses of England who became extremely popular and influential through conversation?

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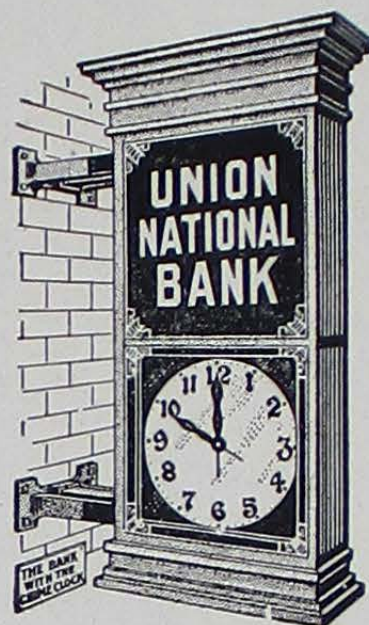
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Hazel R. smacks her lips.

Miss Childs.—“Why, Ha-
zel, I never thought that of
you.”

Miss Williams—“Norman,
what does that word mean?”

Norman C. — “I don’t
know.”

Miss Williams — “You
should have used ‘Web-
ster’.”

Norman C.—“Who’s that?
He isn’t in today’s lesson.”



Joe Anderson—"It said those police dressed up like miners sometimes. Doesn't that mean they dressed like boys in short trousers?"

Freshman — "My grandfather is a war veteran and has a hickory-leg."

Brilliant Classmate — "That's nothing; my sister has a cedar chest."

In English class the 7th period. Mrs. Anderson.— "Tom, describe the birth place of Lamb."

Tom Musson—"Why, he was born in a house."

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Nevin Innes—"Well, I can't get my locker shut."

Coach Thompson—"Take your shoes out."

—
Hazel Cave reciting on Jane Austin's life: "Sometimes she went to Bath!"

—
Miss Miller. — "Suppose some man was running for office."

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Miss Anderson—"It was not until Wordsworth had been dead fifty years that he became a great poet." (Some hope for us yet.)

Miss Coskery, in roll call.—"Irene."

Lillie Roberson—"She is here but she is out of the room."

Constance K., looking at class card in News Stand.—"Wouldn't it be awful to have cards with Mr. and Mrs. on?"

Enid—"Why no, Connie, that wouldn't be bad at all."

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Mike—"an electric suit?
How's that?"

Pat—"Well, I bought it,
and had it charged."

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Soph.—"Changed a dollar
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where did these works ap-
pear?"

B. (ig) N. (ut) On pa-
per.

Frank Coulter handed in
a paper with "there works"
on it. Miss Anderson asked
him how to spell "their
works" and he said,
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"Oh gosh! hear that gas
smell."

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ogy: "Galen, what is a skel-
eton?"

Gay Doods. "A skeleton
is a man with his insides out
and his outsides off."

Agriculture student judg-
ing a draft horse: "Look
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den is perfectly flat."

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